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WOMAN AND COMPANIONS IN PLANE THOUGHT DOWN

HARRY HILL'S TRIAL BEGINS NEXT TUESDAY

Will See Greatest Array of Legal Talent in Ottawa

Ottawa.—Preparations moved forward today for the opening of the trial of Harry Hill in the circuit court here next Tuesday. The case will be the most spectacular criminal case heard in LaSalle county since the famous Black Hollow murder case, and will undoubtedly attract more spectators than have tried to get into a court room to hear a criminal case in the history of the county building.

Hill is charged with having shot and killed his mother, Mrs. Eliza A. Hill, and then with having buried her body in the basement of her streator residence. Then her body was unearthed by Dr. H. C. Hill, her divorced husband, his attorneys and the streator police last summer. A murder mystery developed which tartled the entire country and furnished front page newspaper material for publications all over the entire nation.

Suspicion pointed to her only living son, Harry Hill, as her slayer. The son vanished and a nation-wide search was instituted for him before he was arrested in Seattle, Wash., where he had fled.

Silent on Defense.

Hill and his attorneys have kept an absolute silence as to what his defense will be. Aside from their plea of "not guilty," they have disclosed no clue as to what evidence they expect to produce when the case is brought to trial.

Announcement has not been made as to what jurist will preside over the trial but it is generally understood in court circles that Judge Joe A. Davis of Princeton will hear the case, as a change of venue was secured by Hill from the court of Judge Edgar Eldredge, and the wife of Judge Frank H. Hayes is ill in a Rochester, Minn., hospital and the jurist during the past few weeks has made several trips to her bedside and probably could not be tied up on a case which will take several weeks or the court trial.

Attorneys estimate it will take at least two weeks to secure a jury to try the case. A special venire of 100 men has been empaneled to report or jury service on Tuesday, and this according to men who are familiar with criminal cases will be only the beginning. On account of the widespread publicity the Hill case has given it will be very difficult to get twelve men in LaSalle county who are not familiar enough with the case to have formed some opinion as to the guilt or innocence of young Hill, it is believed.

Legal Battle.

One of the strongest arrays of legal talent ever to appear in a single case in LaSalle county will meet in the court room for the Hill trial. The board of supervisors at the September meeting appropriated Russell O. Benson, the state's attorney \$20,000 to assist with the prosecution of the Hill case. With this fund he retained Attorney A. J. O'Connor as a special prosecutor to assist him in the trial.

Hill's father, Dr. H. C. Hill, has stated four of the county's ablest lawyers to defend him. These at-

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CHARGE OFFICER "PLANTED" MEN IN THEFT RUSE

Two Mexicans Killed in "Frame" to Collect Rewards

Midland, Tex., Dec. 24.—(AP)—Investigation of an alleged plot to collect the \$5,000 reward offered for Texas bank bandits "dead or alive," today found two officers charged with murder in connection with the slaying of two Mexicans and the wounding of another.

C. C. Baze, deputy sheriff, and his companion Lee Smith, said they fired at the three Mexicans when they suspected them of attempting to rob a bank at Stanton, Tex., yesterday.

Victory Ramos, shot four times by the officers and beat over the head, testified at a preliminary hearing that he and his two companions were "planted" in front of the Stanton Bank. He declared that he and Hilario Nunez and Norberto Diaz, were brought to Stanton on a promise of obtaining employment.

Ramos said that on arrival there they were told to stand in front of the bank. About the time they took up their positions fire started in a nearby church. At this juncture, Ramos testified, the officers appeared and started shooting. Nunez and Norberto fell dead. Ramos, although struck by four bullets, was only slightly wounded.

Base, denied the charges made by Ramos. He insisted he and Smith opened fire only after they were convinced the men intended to rob the bank.

NO PRIMARY CAN BE HELD UNTIL COURT DECIDES

Cook Co. Judge Says Restraining Order Will be Issued

Chicago, Dec. 24.—(AP)—Judge Harry Fisher of Circuit Court today declared that no primary election can be held in Cook county under the new primary act until the Illinois Supreme Court has passed upon it.

Judge Fisher's opinion was pronounced in response to a request from Werner Schroeder, counsel for Governor Len Small, as to whether the judge would stay his recent order holding the act unconstitutional until after the Supreme Court determines the law's validity. An appeal seeking to test the law is before the Supreme Court which recessed for the holidays without taking any action.

Order Is Delayed

After Judge Fisher passed upon the primary law in a suit brought by Henry Berger, an attorney, acting with the concurrence of George Brennan, democratic leader, an order was delayed until Louis L. Emmerson, Secretary of State, could be made a party.

With Emmerson a party to the injunction one action by the supreme court would determine the law's validity in all of the 102 counties in the state. That action was carried to the supreme court and another test down-state also went to the appellate court for review and decision.

It has been indicated that Governor Small will call a special session of the legislature, but some doubt has been expressed as to whether

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MRS. GRAYSON LONG OVERDUE; FRIENDS WORRY

Feared "The Dawn" May Have Been Forced Down on Water

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 24.—(AP)—Efforts to locate the amphibian plane of Mrs. Frances W. Grayson and her three men companions, hours overdue, had proved futile up to early this afternoon.

As the gasoline supply was only enough to last 20 hours after the start from Roosevelt Field, N. Y., or until 1 o'clock this afternoon, it was felt certain that the plane had made a forced landing somewhere between Cape Cod, where it was last heard from, and Trinity Bay, N. F., her destination.

No wireless station "working" the district over which the plane was to pass had received any message either from the plane or concerning it from coastal stations of ships at sea.

Weather conditions over the intended route during the night and today were not unfavorable, winds being only fresh and visibility good.

Although it was generally believed the plane was down, it was considered quite possible that the descent had been made in some isolated bay where there was no danger, but from which communication was impossible.

WENT AGAINST ADVICE.

New York, Dec. 24.—(AP)—Mrs. Frances Wilson Grayson, who hopped off in her amphibian plane "The Dawn" for Newfoundland yesterday and failed to arrive at 7 A. M. today, as scheduled, undertook the flight against the advice of the weather bureau. Dr. James H. Kimball, meteorologist, told The Associated Press.

He expressed slight hope that "The Dawn" despite its pontoons, could not long withstand the buffeting of the waves if, as aviation observers agreed, seemed likely, it made a forced landing during the night somewhere between Cape Cod and the coast of Nova Scotia. With Mrs. Grayson were Oskar Omdal, pilot; Brice Goldsborough, navigator, and Fred Koehler, engine expert.

Knew of Conditions

"We have received weather reports from Europe and ships arriving during the past two weeks have told of unusually stormy conditions on the ocean," Dr. Kimball added. "Mrs. Grayson herself has recently made two stormy passages in liners and she took off with full knowledge of what conditions are. I certainly admire her courage but it seems here that she was facing almost insurmountable odds."

Dr. Kimball believed the chief danger on that first leg of the projected flight to Europe was "flying up" of the wings.

An amphibian, Kimball said, "is all right for fairly calm water, but high seas would make short work of any plane. The pontoons might keep the plane afloat a few hours longer than a land plane but that is about all that could be hoped for."

AVIATOR REPORTED LOST

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 24.—(AP)—A report that a Lieut. Matland, flying from Chicago to Florida, had been

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GOODFELLOWS' FUND TOTALS \$961; BASKETS DISTRIBUTED TO NEEDY HOMES BY SCOUTS

The eleventh hour of the Goodfellows' drive to provide every needy child in Dixon with a Christmas found the fund swelled to the fine total of \$961.00, every penny of which will be needed to provide shoes, clothing and needed things for poor kiddies and sick parents.

Today the Boy Scouts were assisting the Goodfellows in distributing baskets to many needy families and by nightfall it is hoped that a bit of Christmas cheer will have been taken into every needy home in the city. Contributions to the fund at noon today were:

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| Previously acknowledged | \$923.50 |
| Amboy friend | 1.00 |
| J. B. L. Jr. | 1.00 |
| Brethren Church | 5.50 |
| Friend | 1.00 |
| Friend | 5.00 |
| Friend | 2.00 |
| Friend | 20.00 |
| Florence Mason | 2.00 |
| Total | \$961.00 |

WILBUR EN ROUTE TO DIRECT WORK AT PROVINCETOWN

Will See That Navy is Doing Everything to Raise S-4

Washington, Dec. 24.—(AP)—Refusing to abandon all hope for the men of the submarine S-4, Secretary Wilbur was en route today to Provincetown to satisfy himself that the Navy is doing everything possible to save their lives.

The Secretary took with him Admiral Hughes, Chief of Naval Operations, determined, in view of criticism from some sources of the Navy's practices in underwater activities, that nothing be left undone in the rescue work. Until proof is given him, he said, he refuses to believe the men of the submarine are dead.

OPERATIONS STOPPED

Provincetown, Mass., Dec. 24.—(AP)—With one tunnel completed under the sunken submarine S-4 and work started on a second, operations were at a halt today because of gales and rough seas.

The completed tunnel was about 19 feet aft of the bow. A four-inch Manila cable was passed under and looped. The same procedure will be followed when the second opening is forced through the mud, 45 feet from the bow. Then stout battleship cables will replace the manila and both lines will be in readiness to be attached to lifting pontoons.

The initial burrowing operations were not accomplished without considerable hazard to the ten divers employed in the work.

A strong northwest wind which swept against the portside of the Falcon, flagship of the fleet of twenty vessels on the scene and headquarters of Rear Admiral Frank H. Brumby, commanding the operations, eventually compelled work to cease.

Caused Falcon to Drift

The wind loosened the Falcon's lines to mooring buoys and caused the anchors to drag in the soft mud so that she could no longer maintain her position over the sunken submersible.

Three of the ten divers met with mishaps last night. Frank Criley was blown to the surface when an air valve in his diving suit opened and an excessive amount of air rushed in. Six members of the Falcon's crew leaped to the divers' platform to haul him from the cold water.

Frank Mattox's diving suit was cut against a jagged piece of steel while he was on the deck of the S-4 and although the suit filled with water, he was able to hold his breath long enough to get to the surface.

The third man, John Schadt, suffered a bad cold.

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WEATHER

SATURDAY, DEC. 24th, 1927
(BY THE A. P.)

Chicago and vicinity—Partly cloudy to cloudy tonight and Sunday; no decided change in temperature; lowest tonight about 25; gentle winds, mostly east to south.

Illinois—Partly cloudy to cloudy tonight and Sunday; slightly warmer tonight in west and south portions.

Wisconsin—Partly cloudy to cloudy tonight and Sunday, not quite so cold tonight in southwest and northeast portions.

Missouri and Iowa—Partly cloudy to cloudy tonight and Sunday; no decided change in temperature.

WEEKLY OUTLOOK

The Region of the Great Lakes, Upper Mississippi Valleys and the Northern and Central Great Plains—Mostly fair fore part of week, followed by precipitation period; slight changes in temperature first part, probably colder toward close.

BANDIT, DRESSED AS SANTA, LEADER OF BANK ROBBERS

Unsuccessful Attempt to Rob Texas Bank Policeman Dead

Cisco, Tex., Dec. 24.—(AP)—Gun play resulting from an unsuccessful attempt of a bandit dressed as Santa Claus to lead four companions in the robbery of the First National Bank here caused the death of one officer and left at least nine persons wounded.

The "Santa Claus" bandit confronted Alex Spears, Cashier, shortly after noon yesterday with a pistol and orders "to reach for some sky."

A Spears complied, four more robbers lined up bank officials and customers and began scooping up all the cash in sight. A woman escaped from a side door and called police. When officers appeared in the street the bandits took their loot and using two men as a shield ran toward two automobiles.

Children as Shields.

When they reached the sidewalk they grabbed two school children and carried them to one of their cars, in which four of the bandits started away. The fifth was shot and probably fatally wounded when he attempted to start the second machine.

Fire of the officers on their companion was returned by the four, shielded by the children.

Chief of Police G. E. Bedford fell mortally wounded. Marian Olson, Harvard student, was shot. Spears received a bullet in the jaw. George Carmichael, police officer, was shot.

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Terse Items of News Gathered in Dixon During Day

CHECK FIRE HAZARDS

Deputy State Fire Marshal Jacob Reuhl of Mendota was in Dixon yesterday with Fire Chief Coffey checking up on probable fire hazards from holiday decorations.

TO CUT ICE MONDAY

E. H. Prince of the Dixon Artificial Ice Co. today announced that cutting of the ice crop in Rock river will start Monday at the fields above the ice houses. The ice is now ten inches thick and is clear and clean.

SIGN IN CITY HALL

A large placard in the hallway of the Sterling city hall warns as follows: "Do Not Place Empty Bottles in Hall—Milk or Moon."

IN BUSINESS 40 YEARS

Today completes the fortieth year of W. C. Jones in business. He has conducted a splendid grocery store in Dementown and every customer is a friend, for he believes in a square deal for all. A good business man and dependable friend, he is what the men term a "square shooter," and is receiving the congratulations of all today.

PHONED HIS GREETINGS

Fire Chief Thomas Coffey and family received a unique Christmas greeting last evening in the form of a long distance telephone message from their son Edward who is located at Long Beach, Calif. Edward is in charge of a large floral shop at Long Beach and took this method of conveying his holiday greeting to his parents in Dixon.

SISTER IS DEAD

H. F. Walder, 114 East Seventh St. was called to Chicago this morning in response to a telegram announcing the death of his sister, Mrs. Samuel Zack. The message stated that death was the result of an accident, but gave no details. Mr. and Mrs. Zack visited here during the summer at the Walder home.

AT LEE CO. HOME

At the Lee County Home near Eldena where 34 unfortunates are enjoying the declining days of their lives, the meaning of Christmas has not been lost sight of. Superintendent and Matron, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Fry have arranged a Christmas celebration which will start this evening and continue through Monday.

This evening each patient will receive some token of remembrance from the superintendent and matron, besides the many present received from friends and relatives. In addition, candy, fruit and nuts will be distributed.

On Christmas day a fine dinner will be served at noon, the menu consisting of roast chicken, dressing, mashed potatoes, brown gravy, mixed pickles, cabbage salad, cranberry sauce, mince pie, fruit cake and coffee. The male patients will be treated to cigars during the afternoon.

PAINTS A SEQUEL

Ten years ago E. A. Patrick, whose artistic talents have been requisitioned by many Dixonites, painted a picture for Straton & Covert, showing a young man in soldier's uniform leaving his home to take up arms for his country, bidding goodbye to his dog at the gate with the words "Not This Time Old Pal."

Today a sequel to that picture, also from Mr. Patrick's brush, was hung at the cigar store. The new picture shows the same man, his hair tinged with gray, dressed in hunting costume, standing at the same gate with the same dog and his young son, present.

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DISCOVER SOME EVIDENCE THAT HICKMAN HAD AID IN MURDER OF MARIAN PARKER

While Other Leads Indicate He Killed the Girl Alone

Los Angeles, Dec. 24.—(AP)—Finger prints found in the Bellevue Arms apartment here of William E. Hickman, confessed kidnaper of little Marian Parker, today definitely connected a woman with the case of the murder of the child, police announced.

Pendleton, Ore., Dec. 24.—(AP)—Told point blank that police had evidence that he had killed Marian Parker in his apartment in Los Angeles William Edward Hickman, youthful prisoner in jail here, replied to The Associated Press today: "That is not true. I did not do it."

"Under the California law you face death for what you already have confessed," he was told.

"I can't help it," Hickman replied. He spoke steadily and with apparent frankness.

"I have told the truth. I will feel better to go that way than to have to tell a lie."

Hickman displayed considerable apprehension on being informed of the approach of California officers who are to return him to Los Angeles. He asked questions about the probable length of time before his trial and was interested in getting information concerning court procedure.

Los Angeles, Dec. 24.—(AP)—The Los Angeles search for the elusive "Andrew Cramer" named by William Edward Hickman, confessed kidnaper and accused slayer of Marian Parker, as the actual murderer of the school girl took a new start today.

The police announced that three "Cramers" who had been investigated had been cleared of suspicion. Two of them, Andrew Oliver Cramer, also known as Kramer, and his brother, Frank Cramer, have been prisoners in the county jail since last

Called at Hotel

Considered as perhaps one of the most significant points of possible supporting evidence of Hickman's story of an accomplice was the report last night that a stranger answering the description of "Andrew Cramer" called at the Herald Hotel in San Francisco the night after Hickman had left there in his northern flight.

The stranger asked for "the man in 502" Hickman's room at the hotel had been number 402. In his confession he had said that he and Cramer were to meet at the Herald Hotel in the Bay City.

From San Diego came the report which tossed new complications into the case—for an Andrew Cramer and June Dunning were reported there last September or October.

Phoenix, Ariz., police informed the Los Angeles officers that a woman known as June Dunning as well as under an alias, had been reported to them as being in Los Angeles last July and in November had been at a San Diego Hotel.

Other Developments

To these recent developments are added numerous indications in the

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Stockings and Underwear Worn by Marian Found

Los Angeles, Dec. 24.—(AP)—Discovery of the stockings and underwear worn by Marian Parker when she was kidnapped was announced by the police today.

The garments were found by a police officer in an alley at the rear of a residence on Pasadena Avenue on the northeast side of the city. They were wrapped in a newspaper dated December 17 the day the girl's mutilated body was returned to her father, Perry M. Parker, bank official in exchange for \$1,500.

The brown stockings, brown shoes and underclothing worn by the child when she disappeared were the only garments not located when her body was recovered.

August. A third brother, Albert Cramer, has been working for his father in Lankershim, the police said.

The police foresaw the collapse of this investigation as added foundation for their contention that the implication of Cramer and a "June Dunning" in the confession was the work of a "plausible liar."

Against Blank Wall

The pursuit of the June Dunning named by Hickman ran up against what the police declared was a blank wall when Frank Cramer told them that a Rose Dunning mentioned by his brother was Frank's wife and that he had never heard of a June Dunning.

The police, however, who have maintained the belief that Hickman was alone in the kidnapping and slaying, as yet have failed to obtain a satisfactory answer to the puzzling quantity of clues and testimony of witnesses tending to show that Hickman had the aid of associates.

They have not been able to solve the problem of how they youthful "Fox" brought into the case the name of Andrew Cramer and the Dunning woman. For the name and description of Cramer tallies despite the ironclad alibi of his jail term.



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SOCIETY NEWS



Calendar of Coming Events

Wednesday
L. O. O. M.—Moose Hall.
Monday
Elks Annual Christmas Party—Downing Hall.
Tuesday
St. Agnes Guild Christmas Party—Downing Hall.
W. R. C.—G. A. R. Hall.

OLD MASTERS

A CHRISTMAS CAROL
By James Russell Lowell
"What means this glory round our feet,"
The Magi mused, "more bright than morn?"
And voices chanted clear and sweet,
"Today the Prince of Peace is born!"

"What means that star," the shepherds said,
"That brightens through the rocky glen?"
And angels, answering overhead,
Sing, "Peace, on earth good will to men!"

All round about our feet shall shine
A light like that the Wise Men saw,
If we our loving will incline
To that Sweet Life which is the law.

So shall we learn to understand
The simple faith of shepherds then,
And, clasping kindly hand in hand,
Sing, "Peace, on earth good will to men!"

And they who do their souls no wrong
But keep at eve the faith of morn,
Shall daily hear the angel song,
"Today the Prince of Peace is born!"

Woman Honored by Press Assn. Dies

Chicago, Dec. 24—(AP)—Mrs. Charles H. Sergel, president of the Illinois women's press association and only woman book publisher in Illinois, died at her home here yesterday.

Mrs. Sergel was president of the dramatic publishing company and recently was honored by the Illinois Woman's Press Association as the only Chicago woman to make a marked success as a magazine editor in New York City.

to the factory by some of the department heads.

Miss Rounds Won Third Scholarship

Lyndon—Miss Esther Rounds of Lyndon, a student in the University of Illinois won third place in a scholarship contest for the persons who were total abstainers from tobacco and intoxicants. It was announced today.

The scholarship is one of the three Gregory honors for a year's tuition at the university. Miss Rounds is a junior.

J. M. Gaston of Carter, Ill., was winner of first place. He is a sophomore in the university. W. G. Ewald of Benton, Ill., placed second.

The scholarships were awarded through a fund established by the wife of a former official of the University of Illinois. It requires a thorough knowledge of a wide range of subjects and forbids the awarding of the honor to any student who has practiced any of the habits mentioned.

Miss Rounds is popular among her friends here. When she was graduated from the local high school she received a four-year scholarship and now she has brought honor to herself and Lyndon by winning one of the Gregory medals.

Enjoyable Party For Music Pupils

Miss Josephine Anderson delightfully entertained her pupils of the piano forte with a Christmas party at her home yesterday. The pupils gave a recital, each one contributing to the enjoyable program in a very creditable manner. Games were played and prizes were awarded. A Christmas tree, decked in Christmas trimmings and lights was a feature of the happy occasion. Other decorations were also in the spirit of Yuletide. Delicious refreshments were served.

The members of the Philharmonic Society will go to Chicago Wednesday morning where that evening they will hear grand opera. Schipa making his farewell appearance for the season, so it will be a gay night. Mrs. Dwight Chapman will chaperon the girls.

ARRIVED THIS AFTERNOON TO SPEND CHRISTMAS
Attorneys Dorman and Charles Anderson arrived this afternoon from Chicago to spend Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Anderson.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS IN FOREST PARK
Mr. and Mrs. Leland E. Eaton, 619 Harlem avenue, Forest Park, will entertain at Christmas dinner her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Simonson of Dixon; and B. P. Simonson and family of Downers' Grove.

FAMILY CHRISTMAS PARTY AT DR. DORNBLASER'S

Dr. T. Frank Dornblaser will entertain the Dornblaser family at a week end party in his large comfortable home in Amboy. His sister, Mrs. Roger William Walters will come out from Chicago, Saturday. Mr. Walters, who is pipe organist at Grace Methodist Church in Chicago will motor out after the morning service, bringing with him, Dr. Dornblaser's sister, Mrs. Mabel Phillips, her son, James and daughter, Josephine, Mrs. Vitack and her husband Dr. Louis Vitack. Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Geisert and children will drive over from Dixon and all will sit down to a real Christmas dinner at six-thirty. Dr. Dornblaser's guests will return to the city, Monday or Tuesday.

MRS. ANDERSON TO CHICAGO FOR VISIT

Mrs. C. D. Anderson will go to Chicago Wednesday morning to visit with her sister, Mrs. Frank Lyndon, for a few days. Miss Josephine Anderson who is a member of the Philharmonic Society and who is going to the city that day to hear grand opera, will remain in the city with her mother, also.

WILL BE GUESTS AT RICHARD WELCH HOME

In another place in these dinner items is a notice of a dinner given by Mr. and Mrs. Richard Welch to a number of relatives. Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Hess of Dixon and John Morrison of Dixon, will also be guests at the Welch home at Christmas dinner.

TO BE GUESTS AT J. E. WHITE HOME

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. White will entertain at dinner Christmas day, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred White and children of Sublette; Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred White of Rochelle and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Reis of Dixon.

MR. AND MRS. HARDING AND MRS. BRASS ENTERTAIN

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Harding and Mrs. Brass, mother of Mrs. Harding will entertain at dinner Christmas Miss Bertha Brass of Chicago; and Mr. and Mrs. Walter J. Lind of Rockford, cousins.

TO BE GUEST AT FRANK STEPHAN HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stephan will entertain at dinner Christmas day, Mr. and Mrs. George Cowan, Mrs. Margaret Stephan, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stephan and daughter Lois and Mr. and Mrs. George Netz.

TO SPEND HOLIDAYS WITH DEFOREST LOWRY

Miss Vivian G. Lowry left this morning for Syracuse, N. Y., to spend the holidays with her brother, S. DeForest Lowry and friend, at her former home.

TO BE GUESTS CHRISTMAS IN DIXON

Mr. and Mrs. Remley Palmer of Rockford will be Christmas guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Eschelman on Cropsey avenue.

TO BE GUESTS AT SPILLER HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Albert W. Spiller and son Albert of Chicago will spend Christmas at the Frank L. Spiller home on Peoria Avenue.

BRIDGE ME ANOTHER

BY W. W. WENTWORTH

(Abbreviations: A—ace; K—king; Q—queen; J—jack; X—any card lower than 10.)

1—When holding total of eleven cards of suit, should you finesse?

2—What is the penalty for revoking?

3—Partner not having bid, what do you lead against a no-trump bid, when you hold K 10 9 X?

The Answers

1—No.
2—Continue playing and at end take two tricks away from revoker.
3—10.

Meeting of Green River Farmers'

(Telegraph Special Service)

Amboy, Ill., Dec. 24—The Green River Farmers' Club was delightfully entertained Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey Robbins, an excellent program and the election of officers featuring the meeting. Harry Gascogne was chosen president of the organization; Philip Tyrell was made Vice President, and Mrs. Chauncey Robbins was elected Secretary, with Miss Jensen as her assistant. The attendance was large.

LIFE'S NICETIES HINTS ON ETIQUET

1 When using the phone from a friend's apartment, what care should one take?

2 If one carelessly burns a hostess' table with a cigarette, or spills something on an upholstered chair or commits any other similar faux pas, what should one do?

The Answers

1 Remember apartment calls are usually double the cost of an outside phone and leave money to cover it.
2 Actually see that it is repaired.
3 Send her a note of apology with flowers or some gift.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS AT DAVENPORT, IA.

Mrs. J. J. Dauntler, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Dauntler and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Dauntler, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Dauntler, George Mathias, wife and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Schrock and son, will motor to Davenport, Ia., Christmas morning and spend the day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schminkey is the daughter of Mrs. J. J. Dauntler.

Washington Is Prepared for Gay Holiday Season

Washington, Dec. 24—(AP)—Washington at Christmas time is the gayest and most interesting place in the country, with its exchange of gifts between foreigners and Americans and the contrast in modes of living at the embassies and legations making of the capital a miniature world. Gifts pour into the hands of the

fortunate members of society from many lands, telling the story of the country of their origin as well as bearing the compliments of the season. A few days ago certain members of society were thrilled by receiving from Madame Lipa, wife of Jaroslav Lipa, Counselor of the Czechoslovakia legation, handsome dolls, twelve and fourteen inches tall, dressed in native costumes.

Mrs. Coolidge's Work

Mrs. Coolidge's busy fingers have contrived most of the gifts for her friends this year. Doing most of her shopping in the morning hours, she has bought quantities of silk and wool yarns, satins, velvets and laces from which to construct her gifts and with but very few exceptions her friends have received knitted or embroidered articles. Mrs. Dawes, wife of the Vice President, is likewise fond of knitting and it was the old-fashioned art that drew them together when Mr. Coolidge was Vice President and they both lived at the Willard Hotel.

Tonight at 6 o'clock Mrs. Coolidge will bundle herself up in one of her fur coats and accompany the President to the ellipse south of the Treasury where stands the tall New England spruce, all gaily dressed in tinsel and hundreds of colored bulbs, awaiting Mr. Coolidge's touch on a button that will illuminate it as the Community Christmas Tree. The event, marked by the singing of carols, will be watched by many national and local officials.

The next White House function will be the annual judicial reception in honor of Chief Justice Taft and the Associate Justices of the Supreme Court.

As politicians gather in groups in the various hotels of the city during terms of Congress, so Representative and Mrs. Cooper of Wisconsin, Senator and Mrs. Woodbridge N. Ferris of Big Rapids, Mich., Representative and Mrs. John C. Allen of Illinois, Representative Charles L. Faust of Missouri, Representative and Mrs. Guy U. Hardy of Canon City, Colo., and others live at the Hotel Washington, which gives them a straight walk of a mile to the Capitol. Their favorite meeting place is in the informal coffee shop of the hotel.

Christmas Party Delightful Event

The Children's Christmas party given by Dixon Chapter No. 223, Women of Mooseheart Legion, at Moose hall Thursday evening was well attended by two hundred children.

The hall was decorated in Christmas colors, and two Christmas trees graced the affair, one for the boys and one for the girls. The party started at 8 o'clock. Games were played, and there were recitations and songs, by the children which were enjoyed by all present. Santa Claus arrived with a heavy sack of favors for the children, balloons, paper hats and candy and toys. Hot chocolate and wafers were served in the dining hall.

Refreshments were also served to the members of the Moose and their wives.

All departed for their homes complementing the committee for their efforts in making the children's party a grand success.

Buy T. B. Seals And Be Glad You Did

Now is a good time in which to buy T. B. Seals. The need is great, and your help, large or small, is needed. All the funds from the seals sale in Lee county are used in Lee county to fight tuberculosis, except twenty-five percent which is sent to Springfield, to defray cost of printing seals. The money is used in large amounts in paying milk bills for milk builds up undernourished bodies and aids in resistance to tuberculosis.

HAVE MOVED TO HOME AT REYNOLDS WOODS

Mrs. H. G. Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Harvey and children and Mr. and Mrs. John G. Ralston and daughter have moved to Reynolds Woods, where they are occupying the commodious rustic home, steam heated, with its large inviting fireplaces, until they leave for the south in a month or so.

Mrs. Wild and Mr. Burst Are Married

Dixon friends have received announcements of the marriage of Edward Mayo Burst and Mrs. Katherine Dillon Wild, on Thursday, Dec. 22nd, at Sycamore, Ill. Mrs. Burst is well known in Dixon and Sterling and her many friends extend best wishes for the happiness of the couple.

ARE HERE TO SPEND HOLIDAYS AT DUNAVAN HOME

Mrs. J. H. Dunavan and son Russell are here from Champaign where Russell is a student at the University of Illinois, to spend the holidays with Mr. Dunavan, at their home, 318 Lincoln Way.

MISS RACHEL KENNEDY HOME FOR HOLIDAYS

Miss Rachel Kennedy who attends the University of Illinois is home to spend the Christmas holidays till January 3rd with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Kennedy.

MISS CORNELIA ALICE MILLAR HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

Miss Cornelia Alice Millar, who attends the University of Illinois, is home to spend the Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Fowler and her grandmother, Mrs. S. M. Gantz.

ARE SPENDING HOLIDAYS IN EVANSTON

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Haefliger and son, 502 E. Third street are spending the holidays with relatives in Evanston.

TO SPEND MONDAY WITH MR. GRIFFITH'S PARENTS

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Griffith of Amboy will spend Monday with his parents, in McNabb, Putnam county.

MR. AND MRS. ISADOR EICHLER TO ENTERTAIN

Mr. and Mrs. Isador Eichler will entertain at dinner Christmas day, Mr. and Mrs. Max Eichler and son Joseph.

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Peace Divine!

Friends:—

May the Christmas Holidays close for you one of the most blessed periods of your life; and the New Year usher in another of good fortune and divine peace.

SPURGEON'S
THRIFT STORE

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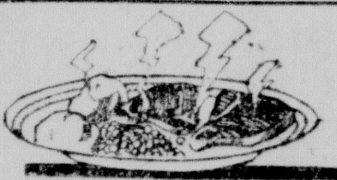
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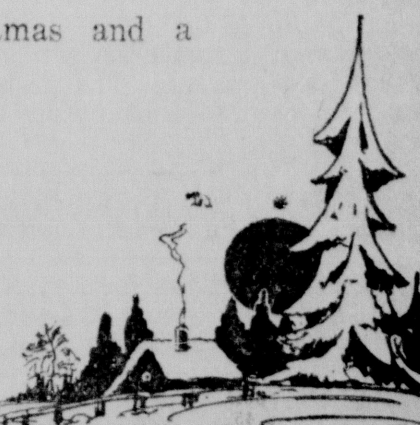
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THAT 58,250,000.

Recent figures offered by the American Bankers' Association are interesting, if not surprising. The savings division of the association offers statistics to show that nearly one-half of the people in the United States hold savings bank accounts.

In thirty-four states where figures were available, the number of such depositors was found to be 48,250,000. In the lack of accurate returns from the other fourteen states, it is fair to assume that there are 10,000,000 more savers in those states.

In the southern states the ratio of depositors was computed at 14 out of every 100 people. This ranged up to 89 out of 100 in the canner New England district. The volume of savings of all the people in the thirty-four states was \$26,000,000,000 at the end of the fiscal year.

The total represented a gain of about 1,368,000,000. The per capita gain in savings since 1918 has been more than 98 per cent, and since 1912 has been 150 per cent. This represents more than double the advance in the cost of living in the last fifteen years.

These figures offer one of the best available proofs that America not only knows how to live, but how to save, and that is one of the great facts about prosperity.

THE SANITARY PATH OF PROGRESS.

We have gone far in methods of sanitation since the day when the dog used to sleep in the washpan on the back porch. Now it seems the very apex of cleanliness is about to be reached.

Somewhere in New York a barber shop porter made a tremendous mistake. Carrying out his office of brushing the coat of a customer, this overzealous fellow actually raised a few specs of dust. The New York health commissioner heard about it, and of course something drastic had to be done. Looking the matter up, the commissioner discovered that the porter's whisk broom is contrary to every known dictum of sanitation. A very foul thing, in fact.

The health commissioner called in the barbers and ordered that the whisk brooms be whisked about no more in their shops. It shall be even as he has spoken; the whisk broom must let the customers alone.

Now a man can leave a barber shop in New York with a coat full of hair and be sure that he hasn't picked up a single bug. It's a great age.

But that isn't all. Some attention caller in the same large village calls attention to the fact that dogs and horses are prone to carry various bacilli about with them. Immediately there is a rush to arms to follow this horseless Paul Revere into the battle for cleanliness. And the Society to Prohibit Dogs and Horses Within the City Limits is organized! Legislation to keep the horses and dogs outside the city is being framed.

Sweetness and light and sanitation!
Horseradish and applesauce and plum pudding and prune juice and bologna!

Onward, cleanliness, onward!

CAPTAIN PAMPHLET.

Captain Robert Pamphlet, a true sailor, in recognition of his action in rescuing the crew of our S. S. Caoba at sea, February 3, 1925.—Suden and Christensen.

That is the inscription carried in a gold watch presented to Captain Robert Pamphlet.

It means more than a heroic rescue at sea, however. It means that the captain held human life more precious than the cargo or rum that he carried.

Now it is going to mean prison for the brave Canadian skipper, who might have gone his way and left sailors to perish at sea if his heart had been wrong.

But the captain's heart was right. Skipper of the rum ship Pescawha, in a storm that February night off the coast of Oregon, Pamphlet waited for the rum runners that would take off his cargo. A lifeboat was sighted, carrying eight exhausted sailors from the lumber schooner Caoba which had been wrecked in the storm.

Nearer inshore, the sailors told him, was yet another lifeboat from the Caoba, with men fighting death in the lashing sea. There was never a question in the captain's mind. He ordered his ship shoreward at once in search of the missing craft.

On December 17, Captain Pamphlet began to serve a two-year term on McNeil Island, besides paying a fine of \$5000.

Rum running is against the law. But here is a case where the skipper of a rum craft set human life higher than the stuff his boat carried. The government now might prove that it, too, values heroism more than to let this brave man suffer.

George Remus was found guilty of contempt of court. You can't trifle with the laws in this country.

Not such a hard job for Mr. Hearst, after all. The only thing he has to do is convince the senate that you can bribe a senator without making him an offer.

During the last year one woman was ordered to pay alimony. Most of the ladies, however, killed their husbands before they got that far.

THE TINYMITES

STORY BY HAL COCHRAN—PICTURES BY KNICK



Old Santa's sleigh was ready now.

They'd packed the toys all in some-how, and every little Tynymite was happy as could be. They'd helped to make a lot of toys to bring small children Christmas joys. They pictured them all standing round a pretty Christmas tree.

To Santa, Coppy shouted, "Say, we hate to see you go away, but we wait till you return. We'll guard your Santa Land." "Well, that's just fine," old Santa cried, "and when I come back from my ride, I'll be glad to have you little Tynymites on hand."

And then he said, "I'll start my lark as soon as it starts getting dark. And, in the meantime, you can use a sled to coast around." "Oh, fine," cried Clowzy, "bring it here. I'll show you all just how to steer." It wasn't long until the bunch were sailing o'er the ground.

They found a lot of hills nearby that almost reached up to the sky. 'Twas hard to climb up to the top, but even so, they did. And then they sat down on their sled, and down the steep runway they sped. "Hang on tight," yelled Scouty, "and be careful we don't skid."

Down at the bottom was a bump. The speeding sled hit this a thump. Up in the air the Tynymites went, and Carpy shouted, "Oh!" It gave them all a sudden thrill, and Santa laughed to see them spill. No one was hurt, however for they landed in the snow.

And then, with very happy heart Old Santa said, "Tis time to start." He bid the Tynymites goodbye and hopped into his sleigh. "I'm off to visit home," cried he, "and make tots happy as can be." And, as the Tynymites yelled "Good luck," he quickly sailed away.

The Tynymites were still on hand resting up in Santa Land, when Santa Claus came sailing back, tired out, with empty sleigh. He'd left his load of dandy toys for little girls

and little boys, and thus he'd made them happy when they woke up Christmas Day.

Wee Clowzy shouted loudly, "I see Santa coming through the skies." They all jumped up to greet him when he landed in the snow. "Hello, there Santa," Scouty cried. "Did you enjoy your thrilling ride? Please tell us all about it, cause that's what we want to know."

"Hello, hello," they heard him say. And then he jumped out of his sleigh. You bet I had a dandy time. I spread a lot of cheer. I rode for all that I was worth to reach all little tots on earth and now I'm back in Santa Land to stay another year."

Some little toy men scampered near to lead away the brave reindeer. Then Santa said, "Well, rather round, I'll tell you of my trip." This gave the Tynymites all a thrill. They promised that they'd keep real still. Said Clowzy, "Tell us all. We hope there's nothing you will skip."

So Santa sat down on the ground and all the Tynymites gathered round. He told them how he'd sailed through space to reach each chimney top. His reindeer always seemed to know that down the chimney he must go. So every time they came near one they'd always promptly stop.

"But brilliant trees I saw," said he, "all shining bright as they could be. I often looked around to see that children didn't peep. Then when of toys my sleigh was shorn I headed homeward Christmas morn." Then as he stopped his story all the Tynymites fell asleep.

(The Tynymites get a present from Santa in the next story.)

BUTTON TRIMMING

A black crepe day-time frock has heavy, flat round gold buttons dotting the banding around the circular neck and down the front narrow panel.

SAINT and SINNER

Faith returned to her breakfast on Saturday morning after a long telephone conversation, flustered and apologetic.

"It was Fay," she announced to Bob and Cherry. "She's having the whole family to dinner at her house tomorrow—Dad and Kate and Joy, Aunt Hattie and Grandpa and Grandma Lane. She wants us all to come. I know you loathe the family dinners, dear," she worried, turning her big, troubled brown eyes upon her husband, "but I don't see how we can get out of it. It's Grandpa and Grandma Lane's forty-ninth wedding anniversary, and we're all afraid Grandpa won't live to celebrate his golden wedding."

"Rather short notice, isn't it?" Bob mumbled. "As a matter of fact, Faith, I'd planned to work nearly all day tomorrow on the 'Hemlock' plans. It will mean a lot to us if I land that job."

"Oh, I'm so sorry, but I can't go either," Cherry exclaimed with exaggerated regret. "I've got a heavy date that will keep me from ten in the morning until heaven knows what time tomorrow night. You'll be an angel and take Hope to Fay's with you, won't you, darling?"

"Of course," Faith answered shortly. "If I go, I don't see how I can go if you're going to stay home, Bob. You'll have to have your dinner."

"I'll cook it myself, if you'll leave a few things in the ice box for me. Don't worry about me, honey."

"I talked with Bill Warren over the phone last night, darling," Cherry announced casually. "He asked me to go to the regular Saturday night dance at the Marlboro Country Club with him tonight and I'm going to a matinee this afternoon with George Pruitt."

"That doesn't sound very much like the life of a lonesome lady," Faith commented dryly.

Cherry flushed, then laughed rather too loudly. "Meow! Kitty, kitty! Don't you know me well enough by this time not to take my midnight recesses too seriously, darling? Your excellent wife, who has far too good a memory Mr. Hathaway" she turned her laughing golden eyes upon Bob.

"Is referring a trifle cattily to a remark I made last night in a moment of profound depression. It had something to do with my resolution to be wholly decent and honest, and, therefore, lonesome."

"Then your date tomorrow is with Nils?" Faith asked coldly. She might have known that Cherry would not rest content until she had wrung an abject declaration of love out of this strange new admirer of hers—

"Being lonesome is not the only way of being decent," Cherry retorted cryptically. "No, darling, my date is not with Nils Jonson. I never expect to see him again. Oh, Rhoda!" her voice changed to ecstatic admiration. "What a gorgeous omelet!"

Rhoda set the platter with its fluffy yellow triumph before Faith and slipped into her own chair, beaming with pleasure.

"When is your brother leaving, Rhoda?" Faith asked.

"At one o'clock tomorrow," Rhoda answered. "He wants to be back at the farm Monday morning. He asked me to thank you all for being so nice to him and so good to me, and to say he was awfully sorry he wouldn't see you all again before he left."

Faith stole a glance at Cherry. The girl's face had gone very white, and

OUR BOARDING HOUSE

BY AHERNS



her golden eyes were wide and blank with amazement.

Faith, busy making an ice box cake as her contribution to Fay's dinner in celebration of Grandpa and Grandma Lane's forty-ninth wedding anniversary, scarcely saw Cherry that Saturday afternoon when her sister dashed home from her matinee engagement with George Pruitt.

"Change for her evening date with Bill Warren. But her one glimpse of her, when Cherry appeared briefly at the kitchen door to be inspected, admired and kissed good-bye, showed her a radiant, breath-taking beautiful girl.

"Do I look potent?" she cried, twirling on the tip of her golden slipper, her golden chiffon skirt bellowing out like a ballet dancer's. "I'm just in the mood to get proposed to tonight, old thing!"

"Bill?" Faith laughed, though her heart lunged with fear. Cherry in this mood of reckless excitement way always dangerous—

"Why not?" Cherry retorted, fluffing up her short copper-and-gold curls with quick, excited fingers. "I think it would be an ideal match, except for one minor flaw—I don't happen to love him. Good-bye. I shan't see you in the morning, if you're going to Fay's early, but I promise to stick a note under your door telling you the glad news if I get engaged."

Bye, Rhoda! You're going to Fay's too, aren't you?"

"Yes," Rhoda answered without looking up from the bowl of mayonnaise she was whipping.

When Cherry was gone, like a bright comet that had flashed briefly across the dull sky of domesticity, Rhoda looked at Faith with doubt and perplexity in her China-blue eyes.

"Maybe I was all wrong about Nils and Cherry. I thought he was awfully in love with her and he hasn't called her up or anything. Do you suppose she's really going to get engaged tonight?"

"No one," Faith sighed, "can safely predict what Cherry Lane will do, but I should say she meant for that bit of bravado to reach Nils' ears. "I'll tell him, but I don't understand," Rhoda worried, shaking her golden head. "I'm going to the last performance of the San Remo opera with him tonight."

Faith, knowing Nils' determination to pique Cherry into a keen interest in herself by ignoring her completely after he had proposed to her, could not but admire the blond giant's strength of character in sticking to that determination, but all evening she was tormented with the unreasonable wish that he had been less strong. He was going away on Sunday without seeing Cherry again and

Faith knew her sister well enough to be sure that "out of sight" really meant "out of mind" unless—

She frowned as she aimlessly turned the pages of a magazine which she could not read, what tangible evidence did she have that Cherry was at all in love with Nils Jonson? He had piqued her curiosity, had made her violently angry, and had, in her opinion, grossly insulted her by not making the slightest attempt to win her after having proposed to her.

Suddenly a deeply buried worry struggled to the surface of her mind, made her speak to Bob with strangely passionate intensity.

"Bob dear, I wish you'd go with us tomorrow! Please, darling! I don't often ask you to do anything for my sake—"

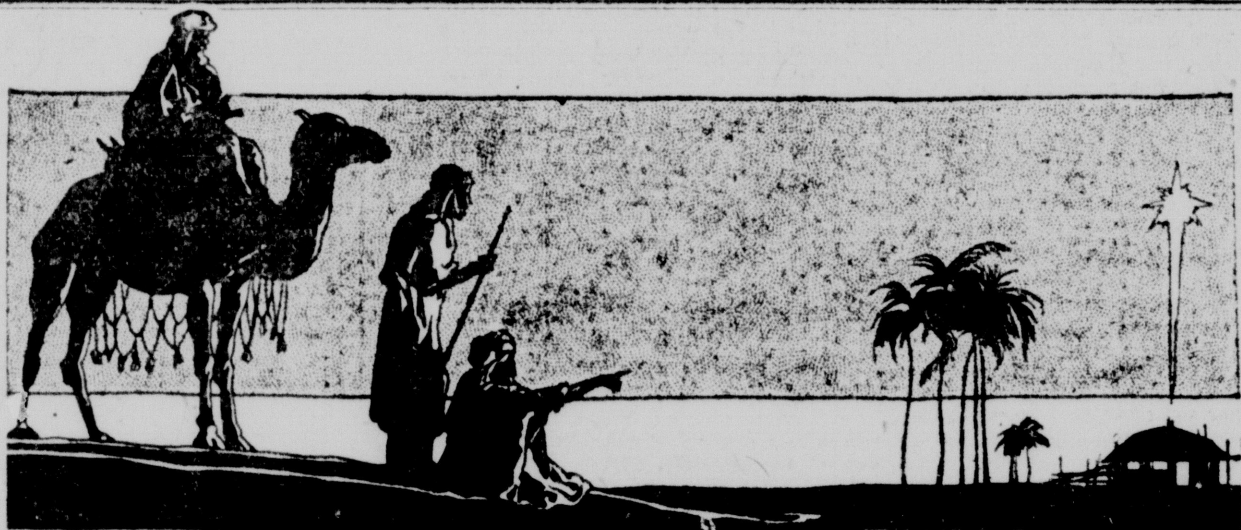
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ANTELOPE BAG

A new envelope purse of black antelope has four stripes of silver dip to points on its front. A wide clasp of jade is set in silver.

NEW UNDIES

Black chiffon underthings with yokes of silver or gold lace and trimmed with matching lace are the most stunning creations of the season.



Merry Christmas
and
New Year Wishes

The kind of Christmas
We're wishing for you
Is that you'll be happy
the whole year through

"Christmas Joys to You All"

JUST THE SAME OLD GREETING!

Dear Readers:

We would like to say something at this time commensurate with our good feeling toward you and our good wishes for you; but not being gifted with the silver tongue of an orator, or the musical tongue of a poet, we know of nothing more expressive than the time-worn greeting in the old-time way:

"Merry Christmas and Happy New Year"

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SPORTS OF ALL SORTS FOOTBALL RULES TO BE SUBJECTED TO DISCUSSIONS

Coaches Association May Make Changes in Regulations

BY ALAN C. GOULD
(Associated Press Sports Editor)
New York, Dec. 24.—(AP)—While a few intersectional arguments are being settled on the Pacific Coast fields, football coaches of the nation will gather in New York next week to put the code of rules "on the gridiron."

There is every indication that the members of the Coaches' Association will take a rather decided stand on several points.

First of all they are expected to urge greater representation from their ranks on the roster of the National Rules Committee. Secondly, they are likely to recommend the elimination of several changes made in the rules this year, among them the lateral pass regulation and the removal of the goal posts ten yards back of the actual goal line.

Neither of these changes, many of the coaches feel, accomplished any outstanding good.

Why Call 'Em Goals?
"If the uprights are moved back, why call them goal posts?" Clark Shaughnessy, coach at Loyola College, New Orleans, argues. "They belong at the goal line, if they belong anywhere."

Gilmour Dobie, Cornell's veteran mentor, and Knute Rockne of Notre Dame, very likely will contribute to the debate. They are of different types but both hold the general opinion that the gridiron game is in danger of being over-regulated.

While the coaches are having their private argument, the point of view of the rules committee itself may be put on record in the annual report of the chairman, Edward K. Hall, to the convention of the National Collegiate Association.

A liberal in football government, Mr. Hall has always had an open mind toward changes in the rules. His has frequently been the task of assembling the widely varied ideas about regulating the game, striking a happy medium or prompting action to keep a proper balance between the offensive and defensive sides of the contest.

ington pitchers, has been released by Manager Bucky Harris.

How Time Has Changed!
Eddie Roush, world's champion holdout, says he will be the first player to report at the Giants' spring training camp. One hears there is a bonus to this.

Gets Better Job
Billy Laval, for years football coach at Furman, will be in charge of football at the University of South Carolina next year.

Hibbs to Lead Trojans
Southern California will be captained next year by Jesse Hibbs, giant tackle.

Pyle Okays Two Teams
Cash-and-Carry Pyle is one who favors the two-team idea advocated by Michigan.

Page Mr. Indianapolis
Five of the 16 major league managers—Dorrie Bush, Jack Hendricks, Joe McCarthy, Dan Howley and Bill McKee—have had previous connections with the Indianapolis American Association club. With the exception of Hendricks they were all Indianapolis players.

Diegel Copped First
Leo Diegel was the winner of the San Diego golf tournament, the first of six big meets being staged on the Pacific coast this winter.

Grid Star Is Inventor
Sewell Jones, former Denver back field star, has invented an ingenious contrivance to prevent the dripping of coffee on one's shirt front. It is an absorber that rests under the cup.

New Training Quarters
Brooklyn, it is understood, will train at Atlanta, Ga., in 1928.

To Build New Stadium
Georgia recently announced plans for a new stadium, to cost \$300,000 with seating capacity for 35,000.

Fights Last Night

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
New York—Sid Terris, New York, won from Phil McGraw, Detroit, (10) Bruce Fellers, New Rochelle, Ky., won from Lou Peluso, Salt Lake City, (8). Bobby Burns, New York, defeated Frankie Pink, Texas, (8). Jack Duffy, Toledo, won from Matty Marzio, New York, (8).

Tampa, Fla.—Big Ben Pound, New York, won by a technical knockout from Joe White, Tuscaloosa, Ala., (3). Mickey Feder, Canton, O., won from Bernie Irwin, Tulsa, Okla., (10).

San Francisco—Vince Durdee, Baltimore, and —e Vargas, Fresno, Calif., drew (10).

Billy Evans Says

Erratic Pitching

During the season of 1909, the Washington club of the American League had on its pitching staff a southpaw by the name of "Dolly Gray," so named because of a popular song of those days bearing the title—"Goodbye Dolly Gray."

The Washington club of 1909 was far from a pennant contender. It had a staff of hurlers that was none too strong. A double-header was scheduled on the day in question, otherwise Gray might not have been permitted to remain on the rubber and figure in a freak bit of pitching that otherwise couldn't have happened. He would have carried out the thought of the popular song and said "Good-by."

If "Dolly" Gray is living, and I certainly hope he is, I am sure he will recall the game in question, for I regard it as without an equal from the angle of good and bad pitching.

Gray was a southpaw along the lines of Herb Pennock of the Yankees. He didn't have a word of stuff but he had plenty of poise and, as a rule, great control. In this particular game he was drawing the corners too fine.

Walked Eight Batters
Can you imagine a pitcher work-

The Happiest Christmas



The happiest Christmas is when you make someone else happy. The saddest Christmas is when a little child finds his stocking empty on Christmas morning. There ought to be many a picture like this in Dixon on Christmas. Don't forget the poor and the orphans.

ing a game in which he allowed only one scratch hit, yet was soundly beaten because of one bad inning, which featured a sudden lapse of control.

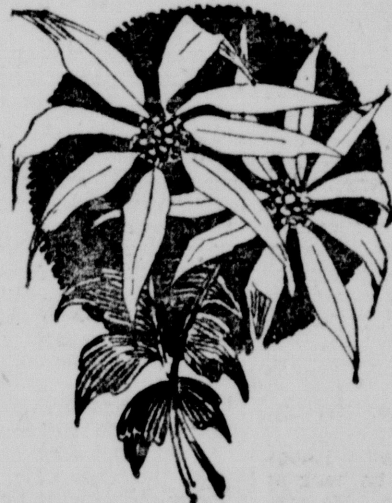
The game was staged in Chicago. It was the first half of a double-header. I have always believed Gray should have been credited with a no-hit performance, which would have made the incident all the freer.

If my memory serves me correctly, Pat Dougherty hit the ball

that was scored a hit. It took a bad bound as it neared the shortstop, causing him to momentarily juggle the ball, losing the runner at first by an eyelash.

In that same inning, Gray, who prior to the one bad inning pitched in fine style and who kept it up after the explosion, gave eight bases on balls, seven of them in succession.

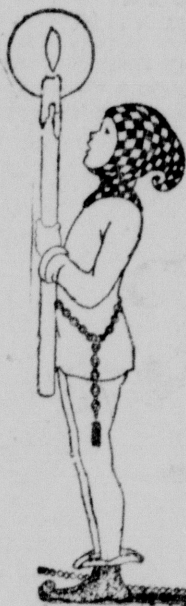
Ordinarily such a thing couldn't happen since the manager would



Pleasant Greetings

Tho' you have many greetings
This Christmas by the post,
No truer ones than these I send,
That pleasure on your way attend,
And all you care for most.

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Your Christmas Tree

We
are wishing
it rooted deep
in Friendships; green
with Happy Memories;
fragrant of Love; laden
with tokens of Remembrance,
upwardly pointing to
the
sunlight.

DIXON TRUST AND SAVINGS BANK

derrick his pitcher before he got in so much trouble. But, as I have explained, Washington had a weak hurling staff.

And He Lost Game
All the runs that were scored off Gray's delivery came in the inning in which he suddenly became wilder than even a peaceful resident of Borneo.

Usually, Gray could work the corners to the best possible advantage. In this one particular inning he was just missing his mark. I feel that I am conservative in saying I called at least 20 pitches balls that didn't miss the plate more than an inch or so. In a great many cases the count was three balls and two strikes on the batter.

The only hit made in that inning in the entire game, unless my memory is at fault, was the fluke single made by Pat Dougherty on a badly bounding ball to the shortstop. It would have been an easy out had it not been for the false hop.

The following inning Gray was back on his game and held the White Sox at his mercy as he did during the rest of the game. The one wild inning, however, was fatal.

The game stands out as one of the best and worst bits of pitching I have ever seen, a near no-hit game, in which the team getting the one fluke bingle won as it pleased because of the one wild inning on the part of "Dolly" Gray.

Seeking to Elevate Prize Ring Ethics

New York, Dec. 24.—(AP)—Waging a campaign to raise the standard of ethics in the boxing ring, the New York State Athletic Commission has adopted an extensive program for penalizing violators by increased suspensions.

Instead of a 30-day banishment for fouling, the commission's new rule

calls for a 60-day punishment on the first offense, 90 days for the second six months for the third and revocation of a boxer's license for a fourth violation.

M'GRAW WANTS COBB ON TEAM SAYS REPORT

Georgia Peach May be Member of Giants Soon

By NEA Service—

New York—Ty Cobb, one of Connie Mack's choice specimens of antiques in the Philadelphia Athletic museum, was expected to be on the market during the winter major league meetings here but his name hardly was mentioned.

Eddie Collins, Mack's first lieutenant, did say that Cobb was a valuable man with the A's last year and he understood that he would be retained.

BUT—wise boys said Mack wouldn't pay Cobb what he wanted and that he already had made arrangements to send the former Detroit star to John McGraw.

It was considered significant that the Giants moved their spring training camp from Sarasota, Fla., to Augusta, Ga., which happens to be Cobb's home town.

Cobb might not be a great playing asset with the Giants but he might draw in some customers and with Babe Ruth and Lou Gehrig operating across the Harlem River the Giants are interested in more customers.

Terris Outpointed McGraw for Decision

New York, Dec. 24.—(AP)—Sid Terris has settled his score with Phil

McGraw, at least for 1927. The lithe and snappy east side dancing master boxed and punched his way to victory over the rugged Detroit Greek last night at Madison Square Garden in the rubber match of their series of three scraps, all within the last four months.

The outcome assured Terris a bout with Jimmy McLarnin, crack California lightweight, to determine a logical contender for the 135-crown sported by Sammy Mandell. This match is slated for Feb. 3, at the Garden.

Terris clearly outpointed McGraw

in their ten-round argument but the quickness with which the dancing master tired, after a slashing start, took some of the impressiveness from his victory. Sid hooked, jabbed and stung McGraw with every punch in the category for six rounds but couldn't put the Greek shock-absorber down.

Give your boy or girl an Accident Insurance Policy. Costs but \$1, and is quite necessary if they drive a car. Is for \$1,000 and good for one year. Dixon Evening Telegraph.



GOLDEN HOURS OF BLISS

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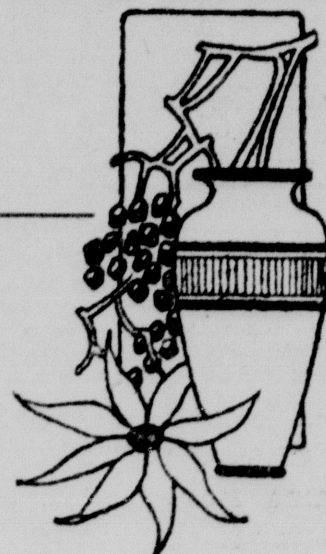
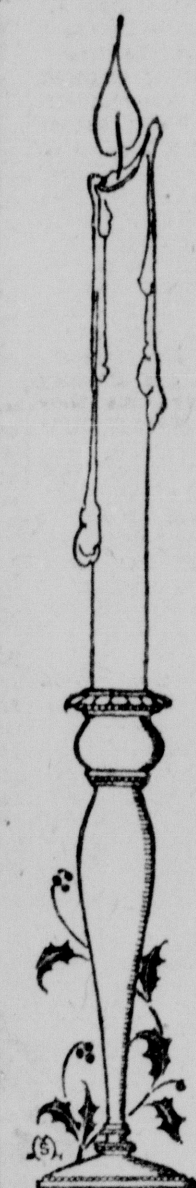
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We have too many customers and friends
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But as it is we'll send our message with greetings for you all.

Poole's Laundry

113-115 Hennepin Avenue

Gather 'Round!

WE have something to tell you... something we thought you'd like to know. And -- That Is --

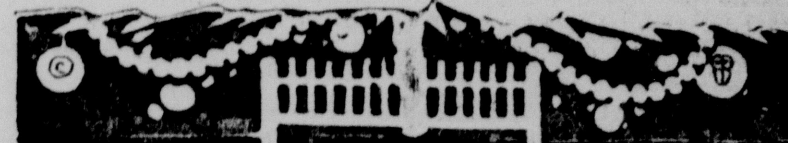
That your Christmas tree and the space beneath it won't hold all the gifts we're hoping will come your way this Christmas! Oh, well—just so it's a mighty, mighty

Merry Holiday For You!

The Merrier—
The Better!

**CHAPMAN'S
Inde-Penn Oil & Refining Co.**

Dixon, Ashton, Sterling, Oregon.



Life's Richest Blessings

This simple card is meant to convey to you our kindest thoughts at this Christmas season. We hope that you may be the recipients of life's fairest gifts and that happiness may bless your days.

KLINE'S AUTO SUPPLY

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

In the spirit of the season and in deepest appreciation of the patronage, confidence and good-will accorded our institution, we extend to all our customers and other friends our sincerest wishes for a Merry Christmas. Amidst the cares and anxieties of every day life, may the holidays be filled for you and yours with the best of cheer and hope and happiness.

F. X. Newcomer Company
"The Service Agency"



DINNERS AND FAMILY REUNIONS TO MARK YULETIDE

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS IN AURORA WITH RELATIVES—

Mr. and Mrs. James H. Howell, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Wallace Page, and sons Jerry and Jimmie, will spend Christmas week end in Aurora with Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Harkness.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS AT W. B. DEWEY HOME IN AMBOY—

Mrs. A. H. Tennant and daughter, Miss Nina Tennant, will be entertained over Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Dewey in Amboy.

TO DINE IN LANARK CHRISTMAS DAY—

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Byers and Mr. and Mrs. Scott Byers will dine in Lanark Christmas day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Byers, parents of Messrs. Howard and Scott Byers.

TO ENTERTAIN AT DINNER CHRISTMAS DAY—

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Shields of Rockford; Miss Lillian Lempey of Chicago; and Mr. and Mrs. John Lempey of Franklin Grove will be guests at dinner Christmas day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Lempey.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS AT HISHOP HOME—

Miss Minnie Johnson of Amboy will spend Christmas with the Misses Bishop in Dixon.

TO BE GUESTS AT L. S. GRAYBILL HOME CHRISTMAS—

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Graybill will entertain at their home Christmas day at dinner. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Graybill and daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. Nevin Stroup and daughter Gladys and son Harold.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS AT WASHBURN, ILL.—

Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Grampp and daughter, Miss Edith Grampp, who teaches school in Chicago, will go to Washburn, Ill., to spend Christmas. They will be entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Pritchard of Washburn. Mrs. Pritchard and Mrs. Grampp are sisters.

WILL BE GUESTS AT MILLER HOME IN FULTON—

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Smith of Long avenue will be entertained over Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence H. Miller in Fulton.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS IN FREEPORT—

Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Hoefler and daughter will spend Christmas in Freeport at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Hoefler.

CHRISTMAS AT DANIEL MURPHY HOME—

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Murphy, 911 Hennepin avenue and family will entertain at dinner Christmas day Mr. and Mrs. Frank Weller and little son, Faust Aloysius of Oregon; and Mr. and Mrs. John Weller and little son Charles Daniel, of Mt. Morris.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS IN OREGON—

Miss Mary Pankhurst will spend Christmas in Oregon with her cousin, Mrs. F. E. Reed.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS IN BELOIT WITH PARENTS—

Mrs. Genevieve Gardner will spend Christmas in Beloit with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Lyle Hoff.

MR. AND MRS. PALMER HERE FROM NEW YORK—

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Palmer of Buffalo, N. Y., are here to spend the holidays season with Mrs. Palmer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Jones.

MISS BENNETT GUEST OF BROTHER DURING HOLIDAYS—

Miss Josephine M. Bennett of Grand Rapids, Michigan, who has recently returned from a four months' visit abroad, is the guest of her brother, J. Frank Bennett and wife, during the holidays.

MRS. HERMAN MACK AND DAUGHTER HERE—

Mrs. Herman Mack of Chicago and daughter Mary Catherine Mack who attends St. Mary's Academy at Terre Haute, Ind., are guests for Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Jones. Mrs. Mack is Mrs. Jones' sister.

WILL BE GUESTS AT DUIS HOME—

Mr. and Mrs. William Vaughn and daughter Miss Helen, and son Bill, Jr., of Beverly Hills, will arrive today to spend the Christmas holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Duis.

ARRIVES TO SPEND CHRISTMAS WITH PARENTS—

Mrs. Elam Hill of Oberon, North Dakota, arrived the first of the week in Dixon, to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Rhodes, North Dement avenue.

WILL BE GUESTS AT CHARLES WALGREEN HOME, CHICAGO—

Mr. and Mrs. F. X. Newcomer and son Paul of this city, will be guests over Christmas at the home of Mrs. Newcomer's brother, Charles Walgreen, and wife of Chicago. Mrs. J. O. Tippins of Dallas, Texas, arrived in Dixon Friday night, to accompany the Newcomer family to Chicago for Christmas. Mrs. Newcomer and Mrs. Tippins are sisters.

TO BE GUESTS AT PETER MCCOY HOME—

Mr. and Mrs. Peter McCoy, Sr., will entertain at dinner Christmas day Mr. and Mrs. Bert Buhler and little son Bobbie. Mr. and Mrs. Peter McCoy Jr., and son Jackie of Dixon; Miss Mary McCoy and M. L. DeLisle of Chicago; Raymond Clinite of Sterling and Lee Bjorndahl of Moline.

WILL SPEND CHRISTMAS AT H. J. BERTRAM HOME—

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Bertram will entertain at their home over Christmas his sister, Miss Maude Bertram of Tillsonberg, Canada.

MR. AND MRS. GILBERT WILL ENTERTAIN CHRISTMAS DAY—

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Gilbert will entertain on Christmas, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Schuler of Dixon; also Dr. and Mrs. E. M. Brown of Galesburg. Dr. and Mrs. Brown will be guests over the week end.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS WITH FAMILY HERE—

David Talty of the Bethlehem Steel Co.'s field service, will spend Christmas with his wife and two sons, Burton and Jack Talty, with Mrs. Talty's mother, Mrs. Lily Woolver, 217 Dement avenue.

TO BE GUESTS OF FULLERS AND MARLOTHS—

Mr. and Mrs. Theo. J. Fuller and Mr. and Mrs. Werner Marloth will entertain at Christmas dinner Mr. and Mrs. W. J. McAlpine, and Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Rosbrook.

TO BE GUESTS OF MR. AND MRS. ROBERT SHAW—

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shaw will entertain at dinner Christmas day. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Werle and Harold Masten of Chicago; Mrs. Magdalen Masten, and Dr. Mabel Masten, Madison, Wis.; Mrs. E. E. Shaw of Dixon; and Mrs. Henry Werle, and Mr. and Mrs. John Dillon of Sterling.

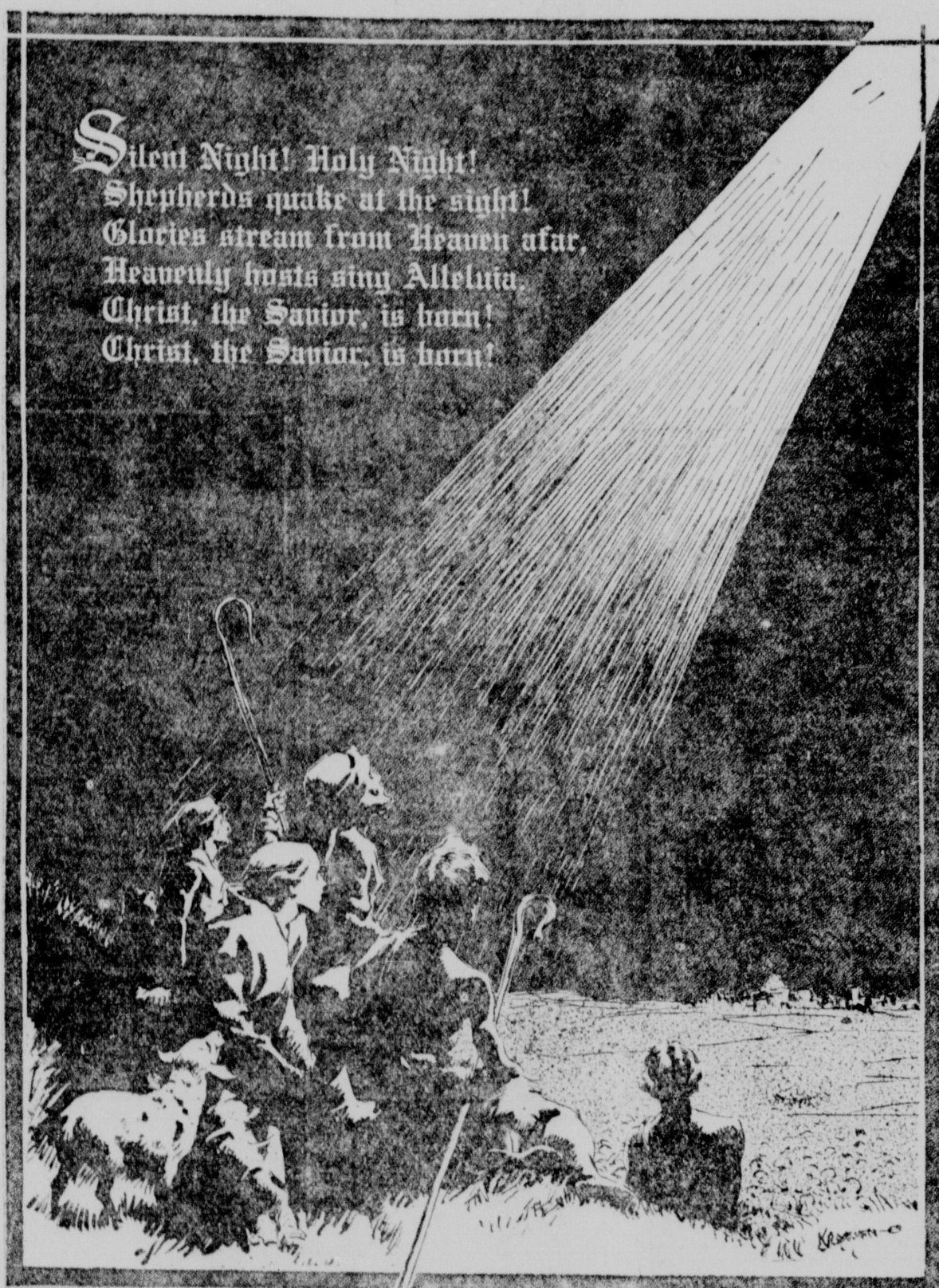
TO GUESTS OVER CHRISTMAS AT GEORGE SHAW HOME—

Mr. and Mrs. George B. Shaw will entertain over Christmas, R. L. Burdick, Mrs. L. M. Shoecraft and Robert Shoecraft of Erie; and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Warner and two children of Cincinnati.

WILL DINE IN NACHUSA CHRISTMAS—

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Crawford of Nachusa will entertain at dinner Christmas day Miss Grace Crawford and father, Calvin Crawford of this city.

THE FIRST CHRISTMAS



*Silent Night! Holy Night!
Shepherds quake at the sight!
Glories stream from Heaven afar,
Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia,
Christ, the Savior is born!
Christ, the Savior is born!*

CARL CALDWELL TO BE HOME CHRISTMAS—

Carl, son of Mrs. R. D. Caldwell, will be home from Chicago Christmas to spend the holiday week end with his mother and brother, Robert. He is employed by the Jewel Electric Co.

TO BE ENTERTAINED AT GEORGE PRESCOTT HOME—

Mr. and Mrs. George Prescott will entertain on Christmas day a company of relatives, including their daughter Miss Dorothy, and their son Lyle Prescott, who is home from the University of Michigan; Mrs. M. Ferris of Walcutt, sister of Mrs. Bryan, and Mrs. Milton Bryan, mother of Mrs. Prescott; and Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Wirth and little daughter.

TO ENTERTAIN ON CHRISTMAS DAY—

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Welch will entertain at dinner Christmas day, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Welch, and his sister, Miss Olive Welch, and Mrs. P. F. Akeman and son Paul, mother and brother of Mrs. Fred Welch.

TO BE GUESTS AT DR. LAZIER HOME—

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Snyder will arrive from Madison, Wis., to be guests over Christmas and the week following at the home of Dr. and Mrs. H. A. Lazier.

TO BE GUESTS AT HOME OF MR. AND MRS. TURNER—

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Turner will entertain over Christmas, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Turner and daughter Dorothy Jane of Chicago; their son and wife and granddaughter; and also their younger son, Lloyd Turner of Madison, Wis.

ARRIVE FROM BOSTON TO SPEND CHRISTMAS—

Mr. and Mrs. John Roe and young son, John Jr., will arrive from Boston, Mass., to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Roe and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Durkes.

TO BE GUESTS OF MR. AND MRS. FORSYTH—

Dr. and Mrs. A. F. Moore will be guests for Christmas dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mablon Forsyth.

TO ENTERTAIN AT CHRISTMAS DINNER—

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Barron and family will entertain at dinner Christmas day Mr. and Mrs. Charles Barron, parents of the host, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Barron and family.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS AT MCGOWAN HOME—

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. McGowan and sons Robert and Blair of Muskegon, Michigan, will enjoy Christmas dinner with Mrs. M. J. McGowan.

MR. AND MRS. MUMFORD TO ENTERTAIN AT DINNER—

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Mumford and family will entertain at dinner Christmas day their guests to include Omund Selgestad, Mr. and Mrs. John Selgestad of Dixon; and Cecil Parke and nephew Bernell Parke of Chicago.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS IN INDIANAPOLIS, IND.—

E. G. Sherrill, manager of the Woolworth store, and wife, expect to spend Christmas week end in Indianapolis, Ind., with Mrs. Sherrill's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Van Natta.

ARE SPENDING HOLIDAY SEASON IN CALIFORNIA—

Dr. and Mrs. W. A. McNichols and small son Billy are spending the holiday season in California.

TO BE GUESTS OF STERLING FRIENDS—

Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Eicholtz of Nachusa will be guests Christmas day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Clifton of Sterling.

TO BE GUESTS AT JENKS HOME IN ROGERS PARK—

County Clerk and Mrs. Fred Dimick will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Jenks at their home in Rogers Park, over Christmas. Mrs. Jenks was formerly Miss Margaret Dimick.

MISS FEELEY HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS—

Miss Justine Feeley is home for the holidays from St. Clara Academy, Wis., for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Graham.

TO ENTERTAIN AT DINNER CHRISTMAS—

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Miller will entertain at dinner Christmas Day, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Young and family and Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Allen.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS IN DELEVAN AND BELOIT, WIS.—

Mrs. M. Murphy will spend Christmas in Delevan and Beloit, Wis.

WILL BE HOME FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS—

Miss Stella Mae Weigle who attends Business College in Milwaukee, Wis., has arrived home for a visit over the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Ada Teeter.

WILL GO TO HOUSTON FOR CHRISTMAS—

Miss Carrie Rosenthal who has been visiting in St. Louis, will go to Houston, Texas, for Christmas and the remainder of the winter.

CHRISTMAS AT ALSCHULER HOME IN KANSAS CITY—

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bacharach are in Kansas City, Mo., to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Alschuler and children. Mrs. Alschuler is their daughter.

CHRISTMAS AT EUGENE RAYMOND HOME—

Mr. and Mrs. E. Bert Raymond, Don Raymond of Oberlin College, and Mrs. Phil Raymond, will be entertained at dinner Christmas day at the Eugene Raymond home.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS DAY IN CLINTON, IA.—

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce C. Banks of South Dixon are spending Christmas mas and Monday in Clinton, Ia., with relatives and friends.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS IN RICHMOND AND PORTSMOUTH—

Mrs. R. Pontius will spend Christmas in Richmond and Portsmouth, Va., with relatives and friends.

HENRY BOKHOFF TO SPEND CHRISTMAS WITH MOTHER—

Henry Bokhoff, copy writer for the McJunkin Advertising Co., Chicago, will spend Christmas with his mother, Mrs. C. H. Bokhoff, in this city.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS AT E. S. CRIFE HOME—

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Crife and daughter, Miss Mary and Harvey J. Wright of Mt. Morris will spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Crife.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS IN CLINTON, IA.—

Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Green of South Dixon, and two children Robert and Jean, will spend Christmas in Clinton, Ia., with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Beardsley.

MISS SILLS TO MOLINE FOR CHRISTMAS—

Miss Georgia Sills, chief operator at the Dixon Home Telephone Co., will spend Christmas at her home in Moline.

TO ENTERTAIN PARTY OF FIFTEEN GUESTS CHRISTMAS—

The following guests will enjoy dinner with William Rink, Mrs. E. A. Bowell and Miss Clara Rink on Christmas day: Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rink, Miss Sara Elizabeth Rink, William Rink, the third, William Coffee, Dixon; Mrs. Ida Hackett, Clarence Hackett, Mr. and Mrs. P. T. Stensland, and son John, Chicago; and Will Bodwell of California.

WILL BE GUESTS AT FLEMMING HOME—

Mr. and Mrs. George Crawford and family will be guests Christmas day at the home of Mrs. Crawford's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Flemming.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS IN MADISON, WIS.—

Miss Anna Johnson and niece, Gladys Ambrose will spend Christmas in Madison, Wis., at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Ambrose.

CHRISTMAS DINNER AT R. C. BOVEY HOME—

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Bovey will entertain at dinner Christmas day Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Ives, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Ives and little son, and Mrs. Gus Demorest and son Albert.

WILL BE GUESTS OF THE MISSES GONNERMAN—

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gonnerman and two sons of Oak Park will be guests Christmas week end at the home of the Misses Lillian and Annette Gonnerman.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS IN LISBON, IA.—

Misses Edna and Frieda Johnson will spend Christmas in Lisbon, Ia., at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stork and Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Rieger. The Misses Johnson are sisters of Mesdames Rieger and Stork.

IS SPENDING HOLIDAYS IN FARIBAULT, MINN.—

Miss Nonie Rosbrook is spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Dana McGrew and children in Faribault, Minn. Mrs. McGrew and Miss Rosbrook are sisters.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS AT H. U. BARDWELL HOME—

Mr. and Mrs. H. U. Bardwell and daughter Clara Gwen will entertain on Christmas a company of guests, including Attorney and Mrs. William Bardwell of Chicago; Mrs. Thomas Casady of Iowa City, Ia.; Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Noble and son Utley, of Dixon; and Mr. and Mrs. Albert McCoy and small daughter of Clinton, Ia.

GUESTS AT HITCHCOCK HOME CHRISTMAS EVE—

Mrs. B. I. Hitchcock will entertain at her home Christmas eve, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Edwards and son William Edwards.

TO DINE AT MOERSBACHER HOME SUNDAY—

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Haley, parents of Mrs. Moersbacher, will be among the guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Moersbacher, mention of whom are made in another column.

WILL BE GUESTS AT J. W. BUSBY HOME—

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Busby will entertain at dinner Christmas day. Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Mason and young son Teddy.

MISS MARJORIE SNIDER HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS—

Miss Marjorie Snider of Detroit, who is interested in Y. M. C. A. work there, is home to spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. G. H. Snider of West Second street.

TO BE GUESTS OF MISSES MURPHY—

The Misses Fannie and Laura Murphy will entertain at dinner Christmas day Mrs. L. D. Dement, Mrs. Lloyd Davies and children, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Dysart and young daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Utley and children.

TO BE GUESTS OF MR. AND MRS. BEACH IN ASHTON—

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Beach of Ashton will have as their guests on Christmas, Mrs. Pearl Arnett and son, and Mrs. Florence Tripp and son Billy, of Dixon; Mr. and Mrs. Terry Tripp and daughter Winifred, of Oregon, and Clarence Craig.

TO BE CHRISTMAS GUESTS AT L. C. SANTELMAN HOME—

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Santelman will entertain for Christmas dinner, Mrs. Anna Melhausen, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Shippee, Mr. and Mrs. William Smith and daughter Marcellene, Harvey Melhausen, Fred Santelman, Elmer and Clarence Santelman.

HOME FROM LAKE FOREST COLLEGE—

Miss Ruth Dana who attends Lake Forest College, is home to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dana.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS IN ASHTON—

Attorney and Mrs. Grover Gehant will spend Christmas in Ashton with Mrs. Gehant's relatives. Mr. Gehant's parents are visiting in Minnesota.

GUESTS AT MRS. MARGARET CONLEY'S HOME—

Mrs. Margaret Conley will entertain at dinner Christmas day Miss Lucille Conley, special instructor in music in the Chicago schools; Miss Mildred Conley, student at Rosary College, Chicago; and Mrs. George Conley of Sioux City, Ia.

HOME FROM NOTRE DAME FOR THE HOLIDAYS—

William Rink, Jr., is home from Notre Dame College to spend the Christmas season with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rink.

HOME FROM UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS TO SPEND CHRISTMAS—

Miss Louise Brewster is home from the University of Illinois to spend Christmas with her father, Attorney E. H. Brewster.

TO BE ENTERTAINED AT L. C. MILLER HOME—

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Miller will entertain at dinner Christmas day, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Miller and son Robert, of Dixon; Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Locke of Springfield; and Miss Irene Miller of Rockford at dinner Christmas day. On Monday Mr. and Mrs. Philip Miller will entertain at dinner, Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Davis and family of Barrington, Ill.

MISS EATON TO SPEND CHRISTMAS IN DIXON—

Miss Bess Eaton who has been employed in Ames, Iowa, will spend Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jay W. Sipe in this city.

TO BE GUESTS AT VAN BIBBER HOME FOR CHRISTMAS—

Mr. and Mrs. Ceral Carpenter will be entertained at dinner Christmas day at the home of Chief of Police and Mrs. J. D. Van Bibber.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS WITH PARENTS HERE—

Miss Phyllis Walker, who attends Mt. St. Clare Academy at Clinton, Ia., is home to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Walker.

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TO SPEND CHRISTMAS WITH HER FATHER—

Miss Nani McGinnis who is attending Iowa State College at Ames, Ia., is home to spend the holidays with her father, W. R. McGinnis.

TO BE GUESTS AT JOHN LAING HOME—

Mr. and Mrs. John Laing will entertain at dinner Christmas day Mr. and Mrs. Dement Schuler.

TO ENTERTAIN AT HOME IN NELSON—

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Kron will entertain at their home in Nelson Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Gullickson and sons, Winston and Paul of DeKalb; Mr. and Mrs. William Thompson and family, and Will and John Marteen of this city.

FAMILY REUNION AT RASCH HOME—

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Rasch will entertain on Christmas day, her mother Mrs. Mary Trein, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Trein, Stanwood Trein, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hill.

DRAFT QUESTION FAR FROM BEING SETTLED TODAY

Another Meeting Minor
Leaguers Called by
Pres. Sexton

Chicago, Dec. 24—(AP)—Signs of a third party movement in organized baseball, since the minor leaguers notified the "Big Five" of their organization at Dallas to cease the modified draft system, have brought about a summons to another minor league convention at French Lick Springs, Ind., January 9.

President Mike Sexton of Rock Island, Ill., head of the minors, in calling his league executives and club owners together again, said the call was broad enough to include the modified draft question and the whole major-minor agreement.

The major leaguers, meeting the week after the minors had passed their anti-modification resolution early this month, notified the minor leaguers they were just as much dissatisfied as the "Big Five"—the American Association, International, Pacific Coast, Western and Three-Eye Leagues. In fact the majors told the minors to make an effort to patch up the dispute in their ranks or the whole major-minor agreement would be thrown overboard.

Since the inauguration of the current major-minor pact, when Keneaw Mountain Landis was drafted from the federal bench to clean up baseball, the five big minors have resisted the efforts of their smaller brethren and the majors to make all players eligible to drafting by the big leaguers. Eventually the "Big Five" forced a modification of the draft which allowed the majors to pluck only those which had come down from their own major league clubs, at the ineffectual price.

French Tennis Stars Beaten by Americans

Philadelphia, Dec. 24—(AP)—France's trio of tennis stars, Jean Borotra, Jacques Brugnon and Christian Boussus, were bound for Chicago today after their first setback since they started their world tour.

William T. Tilden, R. Norris Williams and Manuel Alonso, beat them at the Penn. A. C. yesterday. Tilden defeated his old-time rival, Borotra, 7-5, 6-4, and Alonso beat Brugnon, 12-10, 3-6, while Tilden and Williams defeated Boussus and Boussus, 7-5, 6-4, in doubles.

The battle between Tilden and Borotra resolved itself into a duel of long drives by Tilden and terrific volleying of Borotra. Big Bill played with the skill that enabled him to hold the pinnacle position for many years.

Polo Personals

Polo—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bellows of Rochelle, were business callers Wednesday.

Mrs. D. F. Rebeck and son Leroy and Mrs. Jennie Angle spent Wednesday in Dixon.

A. J. Becker of Freeport, was a business caller Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Brantner and family, Mrs. S. C. Brantner spent Thursday evening in Dixon.

Mrs. Ben Day of St. Louis is visiting her father, Joseph Benjamin.

Mrs. Ruth Bancroft arrived home Tuesday from Emporia, Kans., to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Bancroft.

Robert Bracken of Peconica spent Thursday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Bracken.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Joiner will have as holiday guests, Atty. and Mrs. I. M. Weston and daughter of Dundee, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hamden and daughter, of Elwood, Ind.

Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Vaughn, Jr., of Amboy, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kane and family of Polo.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Coffey spent Tuesday in Rockford.

Mrs. Lottie Cheeseman of Millidge.

Northern Illinois Service Co.

Chicago-Davenport
Phone 261

Leave Dixon for Sterling
6:30 A. M. (Except Sunday) 2:10 P. M.
10:05 A. M. 4:10 P. M.
12:10 P. M. 6:40 P. M.
9:40 P. M.

Leave Dixon for Davenport
10:05 A. M. 9:30 P. M.
12:10 P. M.
6:40 P. M.

Leave Dixon for Geneva
8:05 A. M. 2:05 P. M.
10:15 A. M. 5:05 P. M.
7:45 P. M.

Coaches operating to Geneva only make direct connections at Geneva for Chicago, Aurora and Elgin, electric trains for Chicago.

Leave Dixon for Chicago
10:15 A. M.
7:45 P. M.

Leave Dixon for Rockford
8:00 A. M. 1:30 P. M.
10:10 A. M. 4:45 P. M.

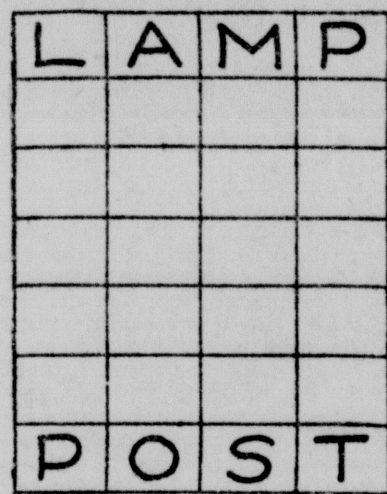
Leave Dixon for Freeport
10:10 A. M. 4:10 P. M.

Leave Dixon for LaSalle
10:10 A. M. 4:10 P. M.
Special Round Trip Rate to Chicago, \$6.00



IT'S OBSOLETE

How does that old saying go—"knocked about from LAMP to POST"? Anyway, Volstead played a large part in rendering the lamppost obsolete, they say. Here is a chance to change LAMP to POST in six strokes. Par is on page 15.



2—You can change only one letter at a time.

3—You must have a complete word, of common usage, for each pump. Slang words and abbreviations don't count.

4—The order of letters cannot be changed.

One solution is printed on page 15.

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Railroads Petition Decree be Ignored

Chicago, Dec. 24—(AP)—Counsel for western railroads have petitioned the United States district court to set aside the recent board of arbitration decision granting wage increases to 55,000 members of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen.

The roads ask the court to disregard the award on the grounds that the arbitrators had no authority to file their findings.

After entering an opinion on Dec. 5 that the six members were unable to reach a decision the board automatically ceased to exist, the petition claimed.

On Dec. 16, four of the six members re-assembled at Denver, and on Dec. 17 agreed passenger firemen should have 30 cents a day more and all other employees of the union 35 cents increase, the carriers declared. The two railroad members of the board withdrew from further deli-

beration after the Dec. 5 action was recorded with the district court. The petition was signed by H. A. Scandrett, General Counsel for the Union Pacific, and Kenneth F. Burgess, General Counsel for the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy.

QUARTERBACK OF LITTLE RENOWN TO DIRECT PLAY

Western Coaches Have
Great Confidence
in Pendleton

Los Angeles, Dec. 24—(AP)—A virtually unknown western quarterback will match wits and speed with the famous "Bouncing Bill" Spears of Vanderbilt Monday afternoon when west meets south on the gridiron of the Soliseum here.

Upon the shoulders of Oakley Pendleton, Whittier College player, has been placed the responsibility of upholding the honor of the west against the kicking, running, passing attack of the southern star.

Pendleton, because he did his playing on a small college team, is not known to even a majority of the Los Angeles football fans, despite the fact that Whittier College is situated only a few miles from the city. But the shrewd trio of coaches who are marshalling the forces of the western team believe that better foot-

SITE OF CHRIST'S BIRTH SCENE OF DEVOUT WORSHIP

Hundreds Flocked
to Bethlehem to Pay
Their Homage

Bethlehem, Judea, Dec. 24—(AP)—The greatest Christmas story ever told will be reenacted tonight in this little Palestine town of some 500 dull-gray stone houses.

On the eve of the Nativity all who are Christians, and many who are not, come to Bethlehem to worship at the shrine of the Savior's birth. It is not far from Jerusalem. The narrow road which links the scenes of

ball players than Pendleton do not grow every year.

Like Spears, the Whittier Wizard carries a triple threat. He is a ten second sprinter and is considered one of the fastest men in a football suit on the Pacific Coast. He weighs 165 pounds and starts his poundage with lightning speed.

Secret practice was ordered at both camps today, the workouts being the last for each team before the game.

the birth and death of Jesus Christ for days has been a congested mass of traffic and will be until after Christmas. Automobiles, "gharries," motor lorries, buses, donkeys and bicycles all crowd one another in strange confusion. This is the same road traveled by the Three Wise Men who came to welcome the Savior. The dusty path trod 1,927 years ago by the wise men, is now a modern, asphalted highway.

The surrounding fields, grazing ground for sheep and goats, have changed too but in a lesser degree. A few villas, the homes of Bethlehemites stud the surrounding farms. Otherwise the fields are the same in which Ruth followed the gleaners to wrest from them food and romance.

Near Bethlehem on the rounded breast of a great hill, there stands a walled enclosure of two or three acres, planted thickly with olive trees and other luxuriant growths in startling contrast to the barrenness of the surrounding hills. This is the identical field where the shepherds watched their flocks on the first Christmas eve.

Here, says St. Luke, "the angel of the Lord came upon them and the

glory of the Lord shone round about them; and they were sore afraid.

"And the angel said unto them, fear not; for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Savior, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger."

And so the shepherds, filled with wonder, started out for Bethlehem over the same route the pilgrims and other visitors are treading today.

Is Ancient Town

From the field where the shepherds watched the star of the east, one soon reaches the heart of Bethlehem. The town retains its ancient appearance, with its narrow, winding, ill-paved alleys. A few of the newer houses have bright red tiles, but the older ones are either domed or have flat roofs made to catch rain water for storage against the dry season. Just as they did in the days when Herod was Tetrarch of Galilee and Mary brought forth her first-born son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn."

Reverently the Christmas crowds

cluster about the three christian patriarchs—Orthodox, Armenian or Latin—wherever they appear on the streets in their slow-moving cars and dressed in their most sumptuously jeweled vestments. They are followed by their attendant archbishops, bishops or archimandrites, also decked out in their brightest and best.

From the narrow, twisting lanes the way leads into a great open square before the Church of the Nativity, where is located a cluster of buildings in the spot where Jesus Christ was born.

GETTING IT STRAIGHT

"You came in awfully late last night this morning."

"That's all right; I'm going to sleep until this evening tomorrow."—Judge.

Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus—I am writing to you because I am a good boy. I learn my studies good at school. I get in the cobs and coal at home and get in the water too. I want for Christmas, some bicycle tires and do not forget to bring lots of candy, nuts and apples, a new shirt for Sunday, and don't forget to bring papa some tobacco and bring Sylvester, Edward, Henry, Wilford, Leo and Shun a new Ford sedan, but don't forget the bicycle tires. Your little boy,

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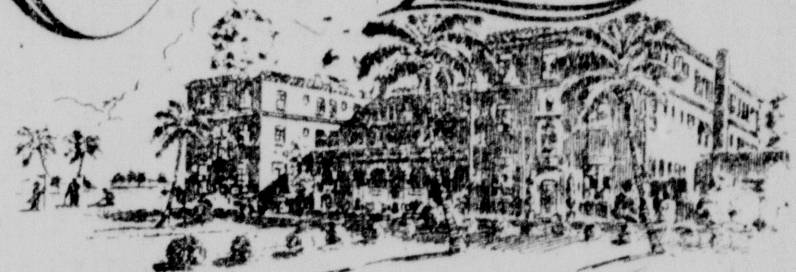
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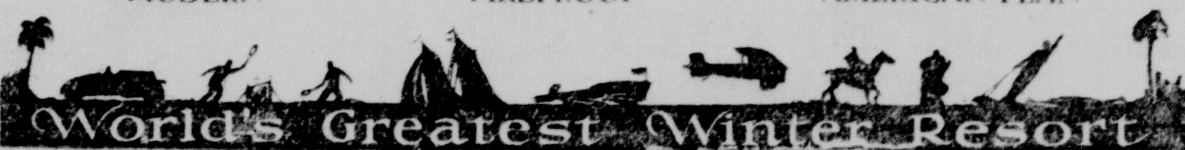
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CHESTER BARRIAGE

AMBOY HOSPITAL BAZAAR IS SET FOR NEXT WEEK

Annual Benefit to be Held at the Opera House There

Amboy—Amboy's seventh annual hospital bazaar will provide merry-making for residents of this entire community all next week. The annual benefit festival for Amboy's public institution, one of the real civic accomplishments of which this city may justly feel proud, opens next Monday evening, December 26 in the opera house. The bazaar will continue all week and draw to a close Saturday night, New Year's eve.

All those who have not as yet returned their checks or cash in the special envelopes provided for that purpose, are urged to do so before Saturday.

A seven-piece orchestra from Dixon will furnish the music for the dances each evening. All the attractions which have made the hospital bazaar here such a success in years past will be present this year and the management hopes that every one will patronize the frolic with the same enthusiasm as in other years.

Refreshments will be served every evening by the ladies of the various organizations in the community. New Year's eve the grand prize of the bazaar will be given away and this evening will be the gala night of the week.

POLO NEWS NOTES

Polo—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bellows of Rochelle were Polo visitors Wednesday.

The Church of the Brethren will render their Christmas program Saturday evening.

The Women's Missionary Society of the Evangelical church held their meeting Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. John Yeakle, at which time the following officers were elected:

President—Mrs. David Fry. Vice-President—Mrs. S. Everly. Secretary—Mrs. Fred Stahler. Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. George Boddiger.

Treasurer—Mrs. E. O. Shipman. Chorister—Mrs. Glenn Wisner. Pianist—Mrs. Ben Unangst. Librarian—Mrs. Clarence Galar. M. O. C. Secretary—Mrs. John Yeakle.

Mission Band Leader—Mrs. Ben Unangst.

Mrs. Leffie Cheseman of Millville, spent several days the past week with her sister, Mrs. Milton Snyder.

The Lutheran church will render their Christmas program Saturday evening and on Sunday evening the church choir will give "The Adoration" by George B. Nevin at 7:30 o'clock.

Mr. Stitzel of Oregon is the new manager of the Atlantic & Pacific Store since Wednesday morning. Robert L. Peterson left Tuesday morning for Madison, Wis., to spend Christmas with relatives.

Miss Hazel Powell of Elgin is visiting her mother, Mrs. Alice Powell and sister, Miss Maud Powell.

Miss Vera Bamforth who is attending Carthage College came Thursday evening to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Bamforth.

Mr. and Mrs. William Unger spent Sunday afternoon in Oregon with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bon.

Mr. and Mrs. Claire Woodruff and children will leave by auto Friday

morning for Vermillion, S. D., to spend over Christmas with relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Trump, Mr. and Mrs. George Halverson and Mrs. Jennie Wilder spent Sunday in Sterling with their son and brother, William Wilder and wife.

Miss Ruth Bancroft of Emporia, Kas., arrived here Tuesday evening to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Bancroft. Mrs. Benjamin Day of St. Louis, Mo., came Monday to visit her father, Joseph Bingham and other relatives.

Mrs. Ross Hardy underwent an operation in the Deaconess hospital in Preppert Saturday morning.—W.

Polo—Edward Smith will go to LaCrosse, Wis., this evening to spend Christmas with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Parks, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Parks will spend Christmas in the John Lampin home.

Miss Maud Powell, who has been critically ill, is somewhat improved. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Devaney of Bloomington will spend Christmas in the Mrs. Mary Devaney home.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Moats of Chicago will spend Christmas with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Moats.

Mrs. Fannie Miller and daughter Faye will spend Christmas in the Orville Miller home at LaGrange.

Mrs. Katherine Facey and grandchildren, Archie and Constance McDonald of Rockford, will spend the week end with the former's daughter, Mrs. Gene Kramer and family.

Atty. R. M. Brand and Hale Scott transacted business in Oregon Friday.

Ernest Savage arrived home from Jacksonville Thursday to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Savage. Other guests in the Savage home Christmas will be Mr. and Mrs. Albert Seyfarth and son of Oregon, Mrs. Margaret Savage and son Jack.

Mrs. Mabel Hollowell and son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Larson, who have been living in Bristol returned to Polo Wednesday to make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Zugsworth spent Thursday in Clinton, Ia.

Atty. and Mrs. R. M. Brand and daughter Judith will spend Christmas in Chicago at the L. B. Reagan home.

Mrs. Mae Jensen and son will spend Christmas in Chicago with Mildred Jensen.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Satre of Springfield, O., are visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hersch.—K.

BEND NEWS

Bend—Miss Olive Palmer, teacher of our school, had a wonderful program prepared which was given Friday afternoon and a tree was enjoyed.

Mrs. Hugh Bennett is home again from a most delightful motor trip through the west.

John and Will Patton motored here from Kimball, Neb., to visit relatives and then on to New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Fisher attended the funeral of Mr. Reed at Amboy Friday.

Miss Edna Fisher entertained the Sewing club Saturday.

Miss Edna Fisher, Marcella and Kenneth Bennett attended the children's program at the Lee County Farm Sunday.

Mrs. Edward Fisher will entertain at Christmas dinner Mr. and Mrs. George Miller and son, George; Mrs. Hugh Bennett; Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Bennett and son, Kenneth and daughter, Marcella; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bennett and daughter, Lillie and son; J. H. Bennett and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Coursey will spend Christmas in Peoria with their son, La Verne Coursey.

WHY YOUTHS COMMIT THE MOST BRUTAL MURDERS

Noted Psychiatrist Says Most Dangerous Age for Defectives is Between 16 and 25

BY ALLENE SUMNER

NEA Service Writer (Copyright, 1927, NEA Service, Inc.) Cleveland.—Why do young men commit murder? Why is it that the most shocking crimes are so often committed by mere youths—young chaps who have hardly got the down off their chins?

The murder in Los Angeles of little Marian Parker raises the question.

Edward Hickman, a dapper young man of 19, is being hunted throughout the country as the murderer. And his extreme youth has proved nearly as much of a shock to the country as the brutality of his crime.

Most Dangerous Type To science it is no surprise, however. For science knows that it is exactly the youth of Hickman's type—very young, very dapper, very much the "sheik" type—that is the most dangerous.

Dr. George Reeve, head of the criminal court psychiatric clinic here and a nationally known psychiatrist, explains it.

"The most atrocious crimes are almost invariably committed by young people in the years of emotional instability—between adolescence and 25," he says.

"Youth performs the most unthinkable crimes. When these critical years are passed, if the emotionally defective person is still alive and at large, he has generally calmed down until, if not actually normal, he is much less of a menace to society."

"Criminal types are conscious of their maladjustment to other social beings and have keen feelings of inferiority. In an attempt to save their wounds from this feeling they cultivate artificial effects of superiority, such as being very careful about their grooming, wearing slick clothes, vascinating their hair, manicuring their nails and so on."

Hickman was what would be called a "personable young man," good company in a crowd, fairly popular and, in fact, seeming somewhat above the average youth of his age in ability and appearance.

Under Strong Repression "It is criminals of this very social environment who may run amuck the worst," says Dr. Reeve. "The very repressions of a high-class social group make their criminal desires accumulate all the more. If a criminal ran with a gang that indulged in offenses against society he could gradually work off this accumulated sense of repression by indulgence in minor vices."

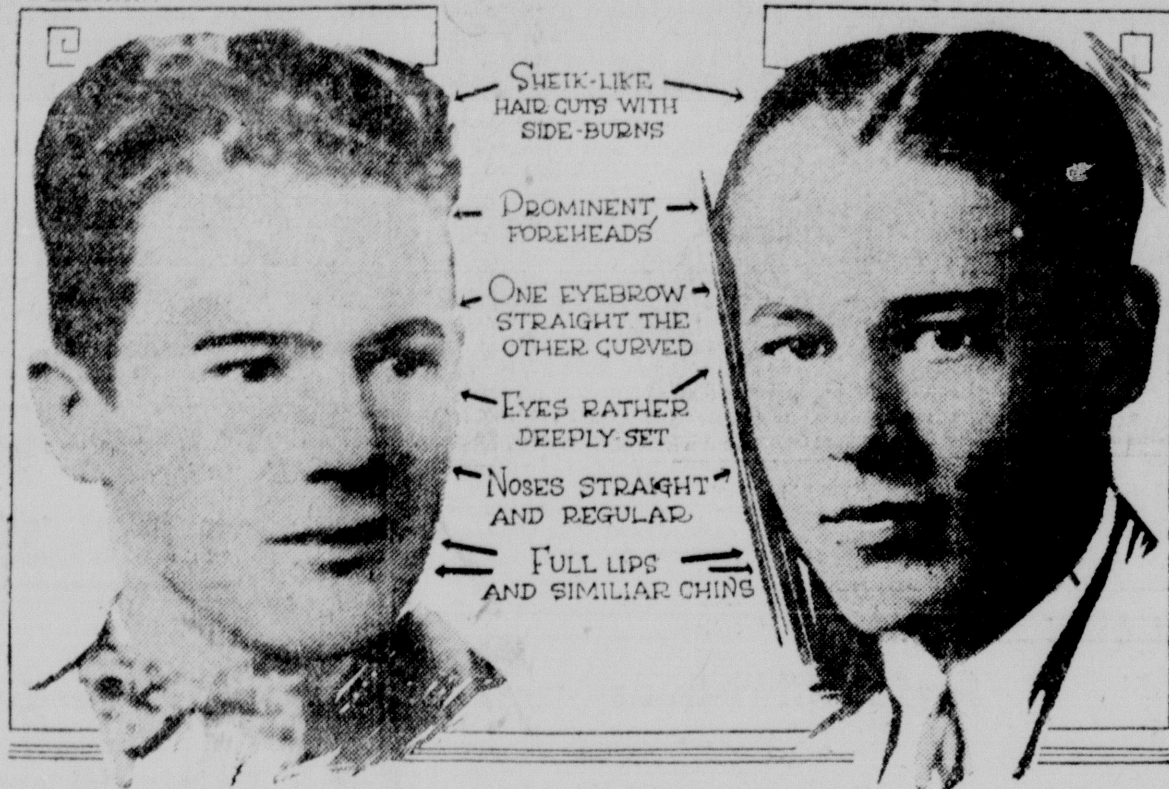
"But if he is classed as a 'gentleman' he continues acting the part until some day the explosion comes with terrific results."

FLAD FEARED FOOD London.—When King Fuad of Egypt visited Europe recently, he brought a large retinue of household officials. Among them were a chamberlain, a food taster, a chemist for analyzing the food, a barber, a valet, and three butlers.

HER LATEST "What was Mrs. Timkin's name before she was married?" "Mrs. Dempster, Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Murray."—Judge.

SILENCE NEEDED "What do you think of these talking movies?" "Don't like them; they wake me up."—Judge.

HERE, IN THE PICTURE of Edward Hickman, left, and Richard Loeb, right, you have the faces of two murderers who might be twin brothers. Both faces, according to psychiatrists, are the most frequent criminal type. Especially note the eyebrows. In each face the eyebrows are alike, one being straighter and lower-placed than the other. This picture is known as a 'stigmata of moral degeneracy.' The sleek hair and general dapper appearance are characteristic, says science, of the defective person who seeks, by crime, to prove himself superior to his fellows.



Hickman's crime is strikingly similar to the murder of young Bobby Franks by Richard Loeb and Nathan Leopold in Chicago a few years ago, and between Hickman and Loeb there is also a sharp resemblance.

Both were about the same age when they committed their crimes. Each crime was startling, horrifying, and apparently reasonless. Each was of the "sheik" type; and they have the same facial characteristics.

Dr. Reeve was interested in scanning photographs of the two young men.

Both are decided brunettes—big, flashing eyes, thick, black hair rising from high foreheads, prominent eyebrows, one eyebrow of which is at variance with the other; full, sensual lips and straight noses. Dr. Reeve quickly noted the variance in the eyebrows on each face.

Features Important "A variance of one feature from a similar feature is technically known as a 'stigmata of degeneracy,'" he remarked. Then he added, with a smile: "However, one of the greatest psychiatrists I ever knew once told me that he could

find on his own face every 'stigmata of degeneracy' of which the textbooks speak."

Dr. Reeve says that Hickman's milder crime of forgery, committed last spring, may have been merely an earlier indication of his social maladjustment, and that the fiendish murder was simply a major offense developing from the same abnormality.

"The desire for revenge is rather common," he said. "But no normal person would carry it to such an extreme. Even desire for revenge on the part of an abnormal being could hardly account for the dismembering and mutilation of the child's body."

"I would be inclined, on the face of the evidence, to explain it as the work of a sadist—a person who obtains certain satisfactions in cutting and inflicting pain. The fact that the dismembered parts were so carefully wrapped might bear this out. A sadist might show a cherishing of them in such a way. Then again, merely an attempt at concealment might be the motive here."

A Religious Fanatic Hickman's interest in anatomy, Dr.

Reeve believes, as revealed by his former cell mate, would indicate sadistic tendencies, and the frequent references in his ransom notes to "God" and "soul" and "hell" would indicate a religious fanaticism which is often found in the criminally deranged.

"By identifying themselves with Jesus Christ, who was also persecuted, defectives can explain their social maladjustment on the basis that they are misunderstood," he said.

In addition, the utter faith which Hickman's mother has in him, and her loyalty, intense even for a mother, indicate much, the psychiatrist thinks. He explains that intense mother love is lavished upon children whom even a parent recognizes as "different" and socially maladjusted.

The murder of Marian Parker was almost undoubtedly committed by a man, Dr. Reeve thinks. Few crimes of that nature are ever committed by women; partly because women haven't the necessary strength or knowledge, and partly because a woman's instincts would rebel at such a crime.

STEWART NEWS

Stewart—Miss Sadie Parker left here Tuesday for Long Beach, Cal., for an extended visit with relatives.

Miss Aileen Durin is at home from Rockford college for the holidays.

Mrs. Kate and Miss Bertha Stewart expect to leave next week for Florida to spend the winter months.

The public school program was given Friday afternoon at the school building and the Sunday school entertainment Friday evening at the church.

Rev. Lumsden of Dixon, District Supt., was here Tuesday evening and presided at the quarterly conference held at the parsonage.

Kenneth Foster and wife of Virginia, are here and at Paw Paw visiting home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Levey and Miss Leona Byrd motored to Chicago Wednesday and attended an Eastern Star installation, and spent the night with relatives returning home Thursday evening.

A family dinner will be given Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Levey.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Cook entertained relatives from Rockford and Stewart at dinner on Sunday at their home.

Mary Johnson, who has been in the south, since leaving Rockford some time ago, is here at the home of her parents.

A family Christmas dinner will be given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Millard Fell Monday.

Mrs. Margaret Durin and Aileen and Robert were shopping in Rochelle Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Amos Richardson entertained the Stewart Woman's Bridge club at her home last Thursday evening.

The evening was spent in sewing and making Christmas gifts. Bridge was dispensed with for the evening. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Richardson.

Bennie Chambers was the highest bidder on the range which was auctioned off to the highest bidder last

Saturday afternoon at the Ruckman and Hewitt hardware store by sealed bids.

Mrs. Kate and Bertha Stewart and Mrs. Mary Carney were entertained at dinner on Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Nels Arne.

Illinois Quizzes

(BY THE AP)

1. What is the approximate cost of the state house at Springfield?

2. What colonel in the Mexican war later became governor of Illinois?

3. What title was won by a Bloomington woman at the International Horse Shoe Pitching contests in 1924?

4. What Illinois man is lightweight boxing champion?

5. What is the salary of the mayor of Chicago?

Answers 1. Approximately \$4,000,000. 2. William H. Bissell. 3. Mrs. C. A. Lanham of Bloomington won the professional woman's title. 4. Sammy Mandell of Rockford. 5. \$18,000 a year.

A THOUGHT Unto the pure all things are pure.—Titus 1:15.

Let thy mind's sweetness have its operation upon thy body, clothes and habitation.—George Herbert.

AL'S DOGS GO TO WORK Albany, N. Y.—After sneak thieves entered the executive mansion and stole three of Al Smith's coats, the Governor gave orders that his seven dogs be released on the grounds to prevent further theft. So now there are seven dogs on 24-hour duty—a Great Dane, a Spitz and five "plain daws."

Superintendent and Mrs. Benji Kietzman and daughter, Vivian, will spend the holiday vacation with relatives at Sandwich.

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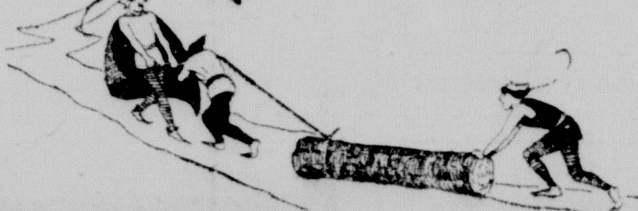
Among the new acquaintances you make wh'er you go, no truer friends I'm sure you'll find than your friends of long ago.

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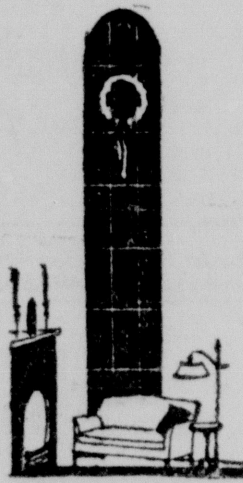
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May The Star of Happiness shine upon you and yours this CHRISTMAS! And may its joyous rays find you smiling throughout the New Year! A. E. MARTH

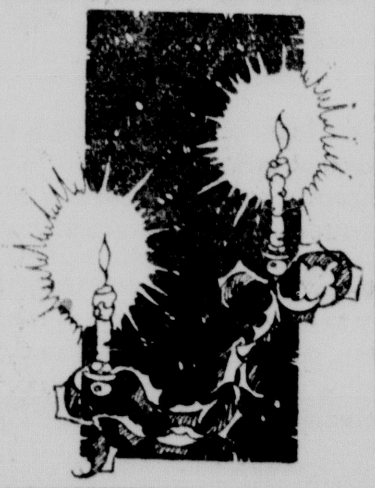
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BY RODNEY DUTCHER
NEA Service Writer

Washington.—A few bills you never heard of, with the congressmen who proposes them, are here offered for your education and entertainment.

HOUSE

ALLGOOD: To prohibit the importation of jute or jute-made products.

HOUSTON (of Hawaii): To authorize coinage of 50-cent pieces to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Hawaiian Islands by Captain Cook.

CELLAR: To authorize a military firing squad to furnish salutes for dead ex-service men.

BLANTON: To reduce the membership of the House from 435 to 300.

BLANTON: To pay each Confederate soldier \$1000 cash and \$50 monthly for the rest of their lives, to compensate the south for "cotton tax" wrongfully collected from 1863 to 1868.

KINDRED: To regulate traffic in certain clinical thermometers.

LINTHICUM AND CELLER: To make the Star-Spangled Banner the national anthem.

SMITH: To print and distribute pamphlets giving a biographical sketch of George Washington.

BEGG: To give the iron gates in West Executive avenue between the White House and the State, War and Navy Building to the Ohio State Historical Society.

GUYER: To rebury an unknown Union soldier and an unknown Confederate soldier in a memorial shrine at Lincoln and Lee University, Kansas City.

TILLMAN: To pay Confederate soldiers and Confederate widows \$1000 in cash and \$50 monthly for the rest of their lives.

GARBER: To provide for a national agricultural day.

KINDRED: To set aside Christmas Day as a national full holiday for carriers and all other postal employees.

BRAND: To provide for holiday service on rural mail routes.

MOONEY: To designate the Columbine as the national flower.

FITZGERALD: To regulate the height of buildings in the District of Columbia.

OLDFIELD: To permit rural letter carriers to act as agents or solicitors.

DEAL: A constitutional amendment to limit the presidential term to six years.

SEARS of Nebraska: To authorize the treasury to redeem twenty war-savings stamps now held by Dr. John Mack of Omaha.

TABER: To spend \$35,000 for a monument at the birthplace of Lincoln.

A Joke? No Sir! It's Sure-Enough Dog



Just because Lyndygae Dandy is a funny looking little fellow is no reason to think he's a joke, a rag doll, or something like that. If you do, the joke's on you! For Dandy's a dog's dog, champ Sealyham of the Bristol, England, Kennel Association's Show.

lard Fillmore at Summerhill, N. Y.

TINKHAM: To reimburse the state of Massachusetts with \$7056.37 for expenses incurred by the state guard during the Boston police strike.

SIROVICH: Resolution to break off diplomatic relations with Rumania if she doesn't stop her "barbarous and cruel treatment of innocent Jewish citizens" upon this country's demands.

SENATE

JONES of Washington: (No. 1) For the relief of C. H. Reynolds, assignee of the Bitu-Mass Paving Co. of Spokane.

GOFF: To erect a monument to Patrick Gass at Wellsburg, W. Va.

EDWARDS: To remit the duty on a carillon of bells imported for Grace Church, Plainfield, N. J.

COPELAND: To officially define a white person as one who "is of the following peoples: Scandinavian, German, Dutch, English, Flemish, Lithuanian, Scotch, Irish, Welsh, Russian, Polish, Czech, Servain, Croatian, Montenegrin, Bosnian, Albanian, Armenian, French, Italian, Rumanian, Spanish, Spanish-American, Mexican, Portuguese, Greek, Hindu, Parsi, Gypsy, Arabian, Hebrew, Syrian, Caucasus, Basque."

McKELLAR: To change the title of deputy assistant treasurer of the United States to assistant treasurer of the United States.

BLEASE: To require separate accommodations for white and colored passengers on street cars in the District of Columbia.

ROBINSON: To increase the efficiency of army bands.

NEW TRIUMVIRATE

Purple tweed, lavender kasha and Rodier cloth in lavender shot with silver fashion a stunning sports outfit.

SCARBORO NEWS

Scarboro—Merritt Ackland who attends school at the State Teachers College in DeKalb was home over the week end.

Glenn Rees and family of Rockford were over Sunday guests in the E. E. Rees home.

Richard Grove and wife and baby Ariene, were visitors over Sunday in DeKalb.

George Webber was on his way to Rochelle Saturday. Several miles out of town he had car trouble and had to be towed in.

Mrs. G. J. Thompson was in Rochelle Tuesday having dental work done.

The exercise and Christmas tree for Scarboro school will be held Friday afternoon, Miss Dorothy Durin, teacher.

Mr. and Mrs. George Lea of Tiskilwa were here Friday.

Roy Johnston of Belvidere, a farm hand who broke corn in this vicinity drove his Ford roadster to Rockford, Saturday evening. When ready

to return he discovered his car had been stolen.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Whitel with Mrs. Bales and her daughter, Ruby, motored to Rockford Monday and spent the day.

The Christmas program at the Evangelical church will be held Saturday evening, December 24th, at 8:30. The committee promises a good program. The offering goes to the orphanage at Flat Rock, Ohio. Everyone in the community is invited to participate in this the greatest of earth's festivals.

Owing to the close proximity of Christmas Eve and Christmas day and certain circumstances that arise out of such a condition, there will be no services on Sunday, Dec. 25th. The annual society meeting will be held on Sunday, January 1st.

The Farmers Elevator Company held their annual meeting of stockholders and the election of three directors December 15.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Wagner of Rockford were dinner guests at the home of Mrs. Wagner's parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Schoenholz.

Mrs. Clarence Walter who teaches in the Van Patten school, will hold

their Christmas exercises on Thursday afternoon.

Miles Stevens of Viola was here Sunday.

The pupils from town who attend Rochelle high are enjoying a two weeks vacation.

Miss Evelyn July who attends school in DeKalb was home over Sunday.

F. C. Herrmann and family, and Mrs. Alfa Herrmann spent Thursday in Rockford.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Smith and daughter, Anila, were guests Sunday at the W. T. Smith home in Rochelle.

Rev. Winter and family were guests in Miss Durin's home over Sunday.

Clyde Grove and his nephew, Russel Grove of Chicago were here Sunday.

Several from here attended the closing out sale of Mr. Fred Erbes west of Steward, Friday.

Sunday school 10:00 A. M. Worship and sermon 11:00 A. M. F. J. Winter, Pastor.

Shearers elevator in Scarboro, owned by Lloyd Shearer and O. Helgen, now bankrupt, was sold December 20, at the elevator office. The buildings, consisting of the elevator, seed house and coal sheds were purchased by H. J. Smith, son of W. T. Smith of Rochelle.

Laura Noe of Marengo returned to her home Wednesday, after several weeks here.

M. M. Fell, banker of Steward, was in town Tuesday.

Dr. Josie Kennedy of Rochelle was in town Tuesday.

Fred Wagner and family spent Friday in Rockford where they visited their daughter, Helen, who is in nurses training at the Swedish American hospital.

Mrs. P. C. Schoenholz is on the sick list.

John Ackland and son, Clarence motored to Chicago Friday and spent the day.

Mervin Schoenholz, student at the teacher's college at DeKalb, was home Saturday.

John Granstad of DeKalb was here Saturday.

Fatigue and Little Food Bring on Disease

Springfield, Ill. — (AP) — Slender forms, and late hours, bought at the price of too little food, too little sleep and overfatigue, are exacting more than intended of "the female of the species". Figures announced by Director Rawlings of the State Department of Health show that in Illinois alone, tuberculosis is forty-five percent greater among girls and young women between eighteen and



ARE MARTIN

Velma West, th' table-leg leopardess who battered her husband into an unrecognizable mass, 'll ask fer acquittal on the ground of "obey that impulse," an' Mrs. Ike Lark's niece, who killed her husband with an anvil, hopes t' git away with "Eventually, why not when I did?" "Well, I've got ever'thing analyzed an' wrapped fer Christmas," said Tell Binkley, t'day.

they are more subject to fatigue than the male.

"Loss of sleep is probably the most common cause of malnutrition and this in turn leads straight to tuberculosis when fatigue and lack of sunshine are added to the program of life.

"Nothing reduces weight in the average person quite so quickly as loss of sleep and a short diet and nothing favors tuberculosis more. This is particularly true in young people who have not become insured to the threats of that infection.

"Tuberculosis among young women appears to be positively on the increase. Last year's mortality was 42 per cent greater among them than among their brothers under age 35 but the death rate was higher among males in the older ages. These facts point toward bad hygienic habits and these appear to be chiefly too little sleep, too little food and over-fatigue."

HE'S INDIAN'S TAILOR

Florence, Cal.—When Lo, the poor Indian, wants a stylish war bonnet or a fancy beaded vest, the chances are that he'll buy them from a white man. Robert F. Backus, who makes a hobby of fashioning Indian garments, has filled hundreds of orders from various western tribes. Last summer he supplied the materials for the headdress which was presented to President Coolidge in the Black Hills. It was valued at \$2500.

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When Santa Claus gay comes to leave his gifts at your door, we send by him best wishes for a day of cheer; a season of joy; a New Year of richest blessings; a life of peace and usefulness.

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HOLIDAY WEEK AT COLONY TO BE HAPPY ONE

Staff Prepares Fine Program Which Will Start This Eve

Dr. Warren G. Murray, managing officer at the Dixon state hospital, and members of his staff, have spent a great deal of time in formulating a program of holiday festivities which will open at the institution this evening and continue through until January 2. Special features have been provided for every day of the holiday vacation week with Christmas as the gala occasion of the program.

The program of activities at the state hospital as arranged is as follows:

Saturday, Dec. 24—7:30 p. m.—Concert, State Hospital band. Entertainment by patients. Christmas tree. Distribution of candy, fruits and nuts by Santa Claus.

Sunday morning, Dec. 25—5:30 a. m.—Christmas carols, all cottages. 9:00 a. m.—Visit to all wards by Santa Claus, officials of Dixon State Hospital, band and distribution of gifts.

Sunday evening, Dec. 25—3:00 p. m.—Religious services, Rev. Lloyd W. Walters St. Paul's Lutheran church, Dixon.

Monday, Dec. 26—7:30 p. m.—Dance, patients and employees. 12:00 noon—Annual Christmas dinner.

Tuesday, Dec. 27—7:30 p. m.—Picture show, Miss Grace Martin, pianist.

Wednesday, Dec. 28—7:30 p. m.—Entertainment by patients.

Thursday, Dec. 29—7:30 p. m.—Entertainment by Dixon Symphony orchestra, under direction of Mrs. Will Smith, Dixon.

Friday, Dec. 30—7:30 p. m.—Entertainment by Dixon Council, No. 690, Knights of Columbus.

Saturday, Dec. 31—1:00 p. m.—Party for working patients. Indoor athletic sports. 7:30 p. m.—Magician. Entertainment by Misses Jean Murray, Josephine Hart, Delores Knowles, Bernice Radef, Katherine Sharp.

Sunday, Jan. 1—3:00 p. m.—Religious service, J. O. Koller, secretary Dixon Y. M. C. A.

Monday evening, Jan. 2—7:30 p. m.—Masquerade dance, patients and employees. Prizes awarded for prettiest and most grotesque costumes.

The Christmas dinner menu is a fine example of the manner in which the unfortunates of Illinois, more than 2,000 in number, are cared for at the Dixon state hospital, and is as follows:

Cream of oyster soup; roast chicken, giblet gravy, bread stuffing; creamed green beans, cranberry sauce, brown mashed potatoes, mince pie, cheese, raisin bread, buttermilk, fruit cake, coffee, cigars, oranges, candy, apples, pop-corn balls.

The program for Christmas Eve, this evening is as follows:

Band—"Holy Night." "Invercargill March."

Play—"Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs."

Band—"Longworth March."

Three recitations. Band—"American Legion March."

Waltz clog—"The Girls."

Three recitations. Band—"Adelphi Fideles." "Star Spangled Banner."

Wednesday evening at 7:30, the following program will provide entertainment for both patients and employees:

America—Dixon State Hospital band.

"Host of Freedom march"—Dixon State Hospital band.

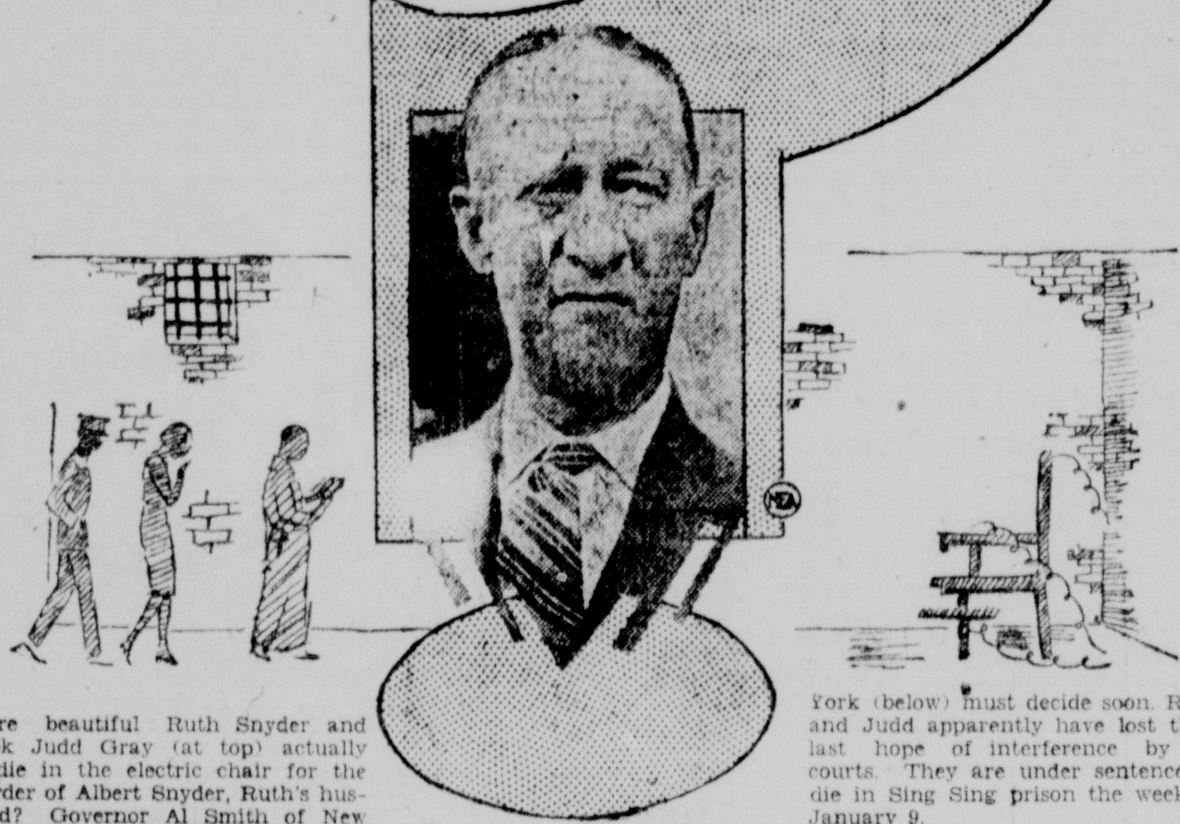
Song—"What do we do on a dew, dew, dewy day?"—Girls chorus.

Songs—"Dawning." "Everybody Loves my Girl."—Girls chorus.

"New Friendship March"—D. S. H. band.

Songs—"When the morning glories wake up in the morning," "My Blue

THEY'LL HEAR ANSWER SOON



Are beautiful Ruth Snyder and meek Judd Gray (at top) actually to die in the electric chair for the murder of Albert Snyder, Ruth's husband? Governor Al Smith of New

York (below) must decide soon. Ruth and Judd apparently have lost their last hope of interference by the courts. They are under sentence to die in Sing Sing prison the week of January 9.

Heaven." "Some Day You'll say O. K."—Girls chorus.

"Colonel Miners' March"—D. S. H. band.

Piano solo—"Golda Martin." Songs—"High Ways are Happy Ways." "Hear am I Broken Hearted." "Side by Side"—Girls chorus.

"Star Spangled Banner"—D. S. H. band.

The special program as arranged for the New Years celebration is as follows:

Piano solo—"The Elf and the Fairy."—Miss Jean Murray.

Piano solo—"Solree Musicale."—Miss Delores Knowles.

Gypsy dance—Miss Bernice Radef and Kathryn Sharp.

Vocal solo—"The Birthday of a King." "Silent Night, Holy Night."—Miss Josephine Hart. Amos Harshman, pianist.

Piano duet—"Field Daisies."—Misses Bernice Radef and Kathryn Sharp.

Piano solo—"Amarillys."—Miss Josephine Hart.

COAT DRESS

A smart daytime dress is of green tweed, with a slanting waistline ending in a novelty buckle on the left side from which a skirt flare ripples.

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DEATH PENALTY UNKNOWN IN 5 ILL. COUNTIES

Eighty-Six Report No Executions in the Last Decade

Hanging of three in Illinois this month awakens interest in the fact that at least five counties of the state have never imposed the death penalty. According to reports compiled by the Department of Public Welfare these counties are: Brown, Bureau, Fulton, Jersey and Ogle.

Although efforts have been made to secure reports from every county in the state, records are incomplete. It is possible Jasper, Mercer and Piatt counties should be added to the list of those in which no legal execution has ever been held.

Six Hold One Hanging

Six of the counties of the state report but one legal execution taking place within their boundaries. These counties are: Carroll, May 16, 1873; Christian, about 1878; Hamilton, December 4, 1896; Knox, date not given; Lawrence, about sixty years ago; and Wabash, about 1850.

Other counties of the state report: Adams—Last about 1893. Edgar—About 25 years ago. Franklin—None in 25 years. Jo Daviess—None since 1870. Jasper—Oldest resident says never any in county. Lake—None in 30 to 35 years. McHenry—Last about 40 years ago.

Mercer—Thought to be none. Piatt—None to knowledge of sheriff. Rock Island—Last in 1912. Winnebago—Last in 1910.

Modes of Capital Punishment

Including Illinois, in which hanging is still the legal punishment for crimes committed prior to July 1, 1927, twenty-one states, together with the territory of Alaska, still maintain the gallows.

These states are: Alabama, Arizona, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Idaho, Illinois, Iowa, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, New Hampshire, New Mexico, Oregon, Texas, West Virginia and Wyoming.

Electricity is the legal punishment in sixteen states and the District of Columbia. These states are Arkansas, Georgia, Indiana, Kentucky, Massachusetts, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Vermont and Virginia. To these should be added Illinois for capital offenses committed after July 1, 1927.

Other methods for the infliction of the death penalty are: Nevada, lethal gas; Utah, condemned given the choice between shooting and hanging.

Abolish Death Penalty

The following states have abolished the death penalty.

Kansas—Abolished in 1907, but no executions in the state since 1872.

Maine—Abolished in 1847, re-established in 1882, but again abolished in 1897.

Michigan—Abolished in 1847, except for treason.

Minnesota—Abolished in 1911.

North Dakota—Only provision for infliction is for murderous attacks on prison guards.

Rhode Island—Abolished in 1852, except for attacks on guards.

Wisconsin—Abolished in 1853, with only three executions in the state prior to abolishment.

In Prison Plot?



Elizabeth Jaworski, 24, sister of Paul and Sam Jaworski, gangsters accused of the murder of a Pittsburgh paymaster, was arrested by Detroit police charged with aiding the escape of Paul as he awaited execution for the murder in Pennsylvania.

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FALL PIG CROP IN STATES OF CORN BELT BIG

Shows Increase of 11 Per Cent Over 1926 Reports Indicate

Washington, Dec. 23—(AP)—An increase of 11 per cent in the fall pig crop of 1927 over the fall crop of 1926 for the eleven corn belt states and also for the United States as a whole was shown today by the December survey of the Department of Agriculture.

Sows that farrowed this fall increased only 9 per cent for the corn belt and 10 per cent for the United States, but there was a small increase in the average size of litters saved this fall.

Sows bred or to be bred for farrowing next spring as reported is one per cent larger for the corn belt and six per cent larger for the United States than the number that actually farrowed last spring.

Increases of about five per cent for the corn belt states and six per cent for the United States in total pigs

saved. Both springs and fall this year, compared to last, is shown. These increases are equivalent to between 2,500,000 and 3,000,000 pigs in the corn belt and about 5,000,000 for the United States.

Cholera Loss Less

Since cholera losses in the corn belt states this fall were below the reported losses of the fall of 1926, an increase in the supply of hogs for slaughter from these states will be probably somewhat larger than the above indicated increase in pigs reported saved.

The distribution of the corn crop was reflected in the hog situation. The increase in sows farrowed this fall for the group of states east of the Mississippi, where the corn crop is short, was only two per cent, the department said, while in states west of the Mississippi it was fifteen per cent. Most of the states east of the Mississippi reported actual decreases in the number of sows bred for farrowing next spring, while all of the states west of this river, where the corn crop was unusually large, showed increases.

For regions outside the corn belt, the north Atlantic states reported an increase of 10 per cent and the far western 13 per cent in sows bred for next spring.

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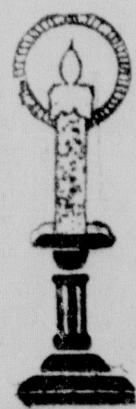
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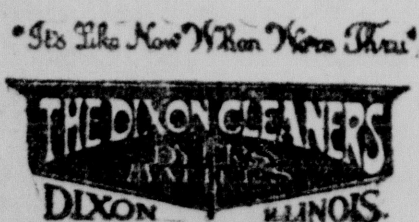
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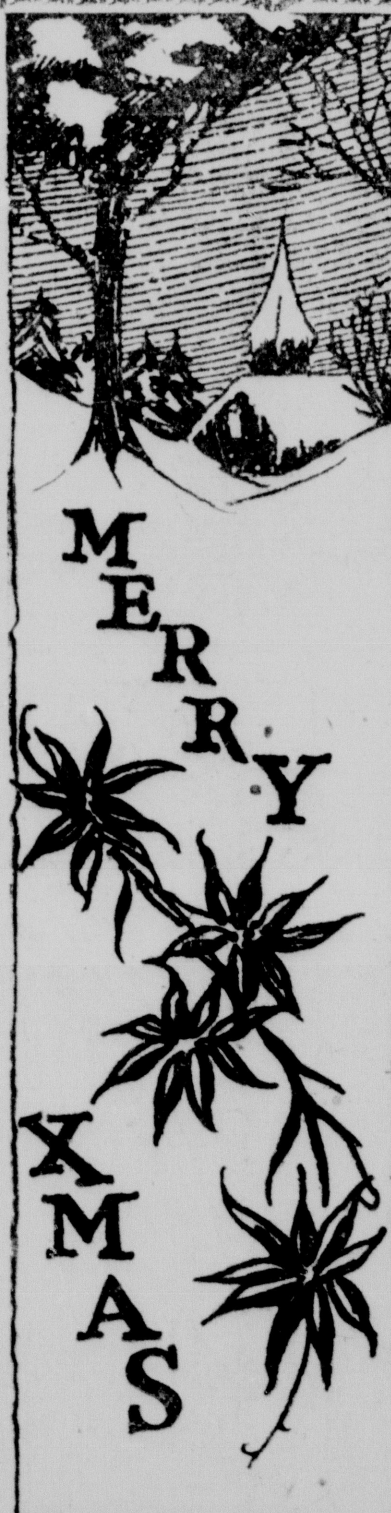
Christmas Cheer

Since we may not perhaps have the pleasure of expressing personally and individually our greetings of the season to each and every one of our friends, we desire through this medium to wish you all not only a happy Christmas season but a long life, few cares and good luck in all you do.

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GOOD TIMES FOR BUSINESS, WAGE EARNER IN 1928

Financial Editor Iron Works Predicts Prosperous Year

EDITOR'S NOTE: Since the steel industry is generally considered a barometer for general business conditions in America, a study of its prospects gives a good indication of the general industrial outlook. Here is a survey of the steel trade's 1927 record and a discussion of its probable course in 1928, written especially for The Telegraph and NEA Service by John W. Hill, financial editor of the Iron Trade Review.

BY JOHN W. HILL
Financial Editor, Iron Trade Review
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During the early months of 1927 the iron and steel industry enjoyed a high level of activity. This was sharply interrupted before the end of the first half of the year, and succeeding months were marked by reduced demand and operations, depressed price levels and a feeble or disappearing margin of profit.

With the last few weeks of the year there came many signs that underlying conditions in the industry were growing stronger. December brought firmer price tendencies, expanded buying and some slight picking up of production. All these evidences combined to indicate that the turn of the steel trade is coinciding with the turn of the year.

For the full period of 1927 production of iron and steel was large when measured by normal standards. The output of steel ingots and castings approximated 44,214,000 tons. This total represented 87.5 per cent of the country's productive capacity. In 1926 the output was 48,294,000 tons or 96.5 per cent capacity.

Not Up to Big Years
In point of production the iron and steel industry in 1927 did not measure up to the big years, but it was far and away above the totals for the years of pronounced depression.

Pig iron production in 1927 was 36,511,000 tons, a decline of 7 per cent from the total of 39,372,000 tons in 1926.

During the year the average rate of blast furnace operation was 54 per cent of the total number of available furnaces in the country. This compared with 59 per cent in 1926, and with a theoretical normal of 60 per cent. At the close of November blast furnace operations, standing at 47.7 per cent of the total, had reached their lowest ebb for the year.

Conditions in the iron and steel industry are dominated by four great consuming lines, which include the automobile industry, the railroad equipment industry, the petroleum industry and building construction. Into these four great channels of consumption there are poured each year about 60 pounds of each 100 pounds of finished steel that is produced.

The record of production in these lines in 1927 explains the decline in output of steel. Compared with 1926 production of automobiles showed a loss of approximately 25 per cent. Purchases of railroad cars declined about 20 per cent. The petroleum industry has been in a demoralized state due to the huge surplus of production. Only the building construction industry has held up its end of steel consumption at a level at all comparable with 1926.

Happenings in the automobile industry during the year played an important part in the course of the great basic industry of iron and steel. A sharp drop in steel production in June came immediately upon the heels of the suspension of production of cars at the Ford plant pending development of a new model.

Ford's Action's Important
The Ford enterprises represent about one-half of the automobile industry. Consequently, when the great Ford "mystery" appeared upon the business horizon, it brought in its train a great swarm of uncertainties. These were communicated to the automobile industry, to the iron and steel trade and to a large number of

Watching for Santa



other lines supplying material for the manufacture of motor cars. All this helped to bring about an increase in unemployment and retarded activities in a good many industries.

Meanwhile, thousands of people deferred the purchase of cars and the year 1927 closed with a large accumulated demand for automobiles. This was in striking contrast with the over-production which existed in the motor car trade twelve months before. At that time there was sharp curtailment of operations and a large decline of employment in the Detroit district. In recent weeks employment in the Detroit district has been gaining and the production of automobiles is tending to improve with the gradual increase in schedules for the new Ford.

All this means that so far as the automobile industry is concerned the production of iron and steel has been below normal during the closing months of 1927. With the return of normal production of motor cars the demand for iron and steel should expand correspondingly.

Coal Strike Hurt
During the past year the bituminous coal strike, and the industrial let-down in certain great lines, combined to reduce the volume of railroad traffic. This reacted adversely upon railroad earnings, and caused the roads to exercise great economy in expenditure. As a result the purchases of new cars dropped to the lowest point since 1921. The railroads have made great strides in increasing their efficiency, and transportation service has not suffered notwithstanding the smaller number of new cars purchased.

However, December brought larger volume of inquiries for cars and there is every indication that in 1928 the roads will increase their buying of rolling stock well over the low level touched in 1927.

No signs of important recession have appeared in the building industry and this should remain heavy in 1928, with the total dominated by heavy construction work of public utility and other projects. While over-production still prevails in the

petroleum industry, present indications are that operators in the oil country will require greater amounts of steel than in 1927.

Because of reduced volume and depressed prices earnings suffered severely among iron and steel companies. In the third quarter net earnings of important iron and steel companies averaged only 4.5 per cent upon their capitalization.

Prices Going Up
One of the most important developments at the end of the year was the manifestation of a more determined front on the part of producers to elevate the prices of a more fair basis. Recently advances have been announced for nearly all important grades of finished steel, and the prospect is that firmer prices will prevail in the industry during 1928.

To sum up, it seems clear that production of iron and steel in recent months has fallen below the country's normal needs, and that consequently there should be improvement shortly. The prospect for the industry in 1928, therefore, is for increased volume of output, better price levels, improved employment and a some-

what more satisfactory scale of earnings.

Consumption of iron and steel probably will be greater by the automobile, agricultural implement, railroad equipment, and the petroleum industries. Miscellaneous buying of steel also promises to be greater and the outlook is for a year of substantial prosperity in this great fundamental industry.

RADIO RIALTO

MONDAY EVENING
6:30—Roxy and His Gang—WJZ, WBZ, WBAL, WRC, KDKA, KYW, WHO, WOW, WSB, WBT, WSM.
7:30—New Hampshire Program—WEAF, WEEL, WTIC, WJAR, WCHS, WLIT, WRC, WGY, WCAE, WTAM, WWJ, WSAI, WOC, WHO, WDAF, WTMJ, KSD, WGN.
8:00—Musical Album—WEAN, WOR, WNAC, WFBL, WMAK, WCAU, WJAS, WADC, WAIU, WKRC, WGHP, WMAQ, KMOX, WCAO, WOWO.
8:30—Family Party—WEAF, WEEL, WTIC, WJAR, WTAG, WCHS, WLIT, WRC, WGY, WGR, WCAE, WTAM, WWJ, WSAI, KSD, WGN, WCCO, WOC, WHO, WOW, WDAF, WHAS, WSM, WMC, WSB, WBT, WJAX, WTMJ, KVOO, WFAA.
9:00—Orchestra; Current Hits—WOR, WEAN, WNAC, WFBL, WMAK, WCAU, WJAS, WADC, WAIU, WKRC, WGHP, WMAQ, KMOX, CAO, WOWO.

TUESDAY EVENING
7:00—Orchestra Hour—WJZ, WBZ, WBAL, KDKA, KYW.
7:30—Singers—WEAF, WEEL, WTIC, WJAR, WTAG, WCHS, WRC, WGY, WGR, WTAM, WWJ, WSAI, WOC, WHO, WOW, WDAF, KBOO, WFAA, WHAS, WSM, WMC, WSB, WFI, WCAE, WSAI, WRHM, WOC.
8:00—Eveready Hour—WEAF, WEEL, WJAR, WFI, WRC, WGY, WGR, WCAE, WTAM, WWJ, WSAI, WGN, KSD, WCCO, WOC, WDAF, WHAS, WSM, WMC, WSB.
8:30—Continental Holiday Music—WJZ, KDKA, KYW, WJR.
9:00—Auction Bridge Games—WEAF, WEEL, WTIC, WJAR, WFI, WRC, WGY, WGR, WCAE, WTAM, WWJ, WSAI, WGN, KSD, WCCO, WOC, WOW, WDAF, WHAS, WSM, WHO, WMC, WSB, WTMJ, WTAG, WCHS.
9:30—Dance Music—WEAF, WFI, WGY, WSAI, WTMJ, KSD, WHO, WMC, WRC, WOW, WGR.

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COOLIDGE PAN-AMERICAN TRIP FIRST FROM U. S.

Will be His First Visit to Another Nation He's Made

Washington—(AP)—When President Coolidge leaves the United States to address the sixth international conference of American states in Havana, Cuba, Jan. 16, he will be making his first visit to the Caribbean region, and his first trip to another country since he became chief executive of the nation.

Accompanied by Mrs. Coolidge, Secretary of State Kellogg and Secretary of the Navy Wilbur, the president will carry a message from the United States to the representatives of 20 other American republics which make up the Pan-American Union.

Because congress will be in session and the White House social season at its height, Mr. Coolidge will be unable to spend more than a day in Havana. But this short stay, it is believed, will go a long way toward clearing the atmosphere of a great deal of suspicion of the United States' foreign policy and attitude toward the component states of the Union.

Confronted with consideration of the report of the commission of jurists which met this year in Rio de Janeiro, the congress is expected to be charged with controversial material.

The report includes a complete codification of private and public international law, recommended for adoption by the nations of America. Several of its recommendations, which the conference will be asked to approve or reject, prohibit any kind of intervention by one state in the territory of any other state. It attacks and holds as illegal several recent acts of intervention on the part of the United States, notably in Nicaragua and Haiti.

Eight delegates, each chosen for his individual excellence in some phase of the work to be done in Havana, will represent the United States. They include Charles Evans Hughes, Dwight W. Morrow, ambassador to Mexico; Henry P. Fletcher, ambassador to Italy and one of America's foremost authorities on international law; Dr. James Brown Scott, Washington, another international law authority; Judge J. M. O'Brien of New York; President Wilbur of Leland Stanford University; former Senator Oscar Underwood of Alabama and Dr. Leo S. Rowe, director general of the Pan-American Union.

Ambassador Fletcher has been in Washington since Nov. 23 supervising the preparatory work of the American delegation. He is secretary of the group.

The Pan-American Union was founded following the first international conference in Washington in 1890. Its avowed aims include preservation of peace, facilitation of commercial, cultural and social intercourse between the American nations and development of all kinds of communication between North, South and Central America.

The Union is ruled by a governing

Our Official Hostess in Dublin



A new photo portrait of Mrs. Frederick Sterling, wife of the first American minister to Ireland. As hostess at our Dublin legation she has won the same social popularity she enjoyed when her husband was secretary to the London embassy.

board with headquarters in the Pan-American Union building here. The building was a gift of Andrew Carnegie. The board is composed of the heads of diplomatic missions of American nations in Washington and the secretary of state of the United

States. Countries not having diplomatic missions here may appoint special representatives on the governing board.

President Coolidge's plans include a trip to a special train to Key West, Fla. There he will board the U. S.

S. Texas, flagship of the United States fleet, if it is not raining, as proceeds to Havana. If the weather is inclement, a navy cruiser will speed him on his way, as the Texas is too large to enter the harbor there and the trip to the battleship in an open boat would be too uncomfortable.

After delivering his message, the president will start back as soon as possible for Washington.

Hospital Surgeon Accused of Deaf

Chicago, Dec. 23—(AP)—Dr. Arante Rongetti, chief of staff of a local hospital, today was granted bail of \$25,000 on each of two charges of murder, filed in connection with the death of a mother and infant following an alleged illegal operation.

The case against Dr. Rongetti was continued until Jan. 6, pending completion of the inquest into the double death.

An attorney for Rongetti said two former nurses at the hospital who accused the doctor of the crime were actuated by revenge. One of them, Miss Lorraine Irwin had admitted to Rongetti she held up and robbed a University of Chicago girl student of a fur coat, the attorney claimed, adding that she was fired.

Miss Irwin and Mrs. Hazel Ree testified at the inquest into the deaths of the mother and child that an operation performed by Rongetti upon Miss Loretta Enders, 19, caused her death on Dec. 11 and the child Nov. 18.

A deputy coroner said steps would be taken to close the hospital while Rongetti manages, and where he also is chief surgeon.

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MEMBERS OF MAC-MILLAN EXPEDITION IN ARCTICS

Will Celebrate Their Christmas in Appropriate Surroundings

Chicago — Snuggly ensconced in their winter quarters near Nain, Labrador, members of the Rawson-MacMillan Arctic expedition of the Field Museum will celebrate Christmas in the traditional manner and with all the cheery trimmings.

Their plans for an old-fashioned celebration amid the ice and snow of the Arctic were contained in a radio message from Lieutenant Commander Donald B. MacMillan, leader of the expedition, made public by D. C. Davies, director of the Field Museum of Natural History.

There will be a Christmas tree, gifts and a turkey dinner, with all the good things that go with it; and music by radio and phonograph to ring added cheer.

While the celebration will be for members of the expedition, plans have been made to bring color and cheer into the lives of the Eskimos and Indians of the far north.

"Santa Claus lives in our bay," adjoins MacMillan, "and before starting for the United States will stop at the Field Museum scientific station here with a sleigh piled high with gifts, candy, pop corn balls and other good things."

"A merry Christmas is planned for the Eskimos and Indians both here and in the little church at Nain. There will be a big Christmas tree in the large living room of our quarters, with colored electric lights and presents for everyone."

"Dolls and picture books will be given all the Eskimo and Indian children; the men will receive pocket knives, tobacco and clothing, and the women will be given colored handkerchiefs, combs, scented soap and alum powder."

"Our wonderful cook, Martin Vorce, has planned a dinner here as good as any in America. We will have roast Elmwood Farm turkey, Cape Cod cranberry sauce, sweet potatoes, peas, asparagus, plum pudding with brandy sauce, mince pie, cheese, lates, candy, coffee and cigars."

FRANKLIN GROVE NEWS NOTES

Brethren S. S. Program
The Brethren Sunday school will present the following program Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock, to which the public is invited:
A Gift—Lorene Lahman.
How It's Done—Jeanne Blank.

GIVE—Stars.
Away in the Manger—Primates.
The Cupboard—Darlene Buck.
The Give-away Present—Florence Butler.

Children's Christmas Box—Primates.
The Unfinished Present—Barbara Group.
Bells of Christmas—Juniors.

Packing the Christmas Box—Willing Workers.
A Sister—Leone Fisel.
What We Give—Elizabeth Chronister, Russell Collins.

Hail to the King—Young People's Chorus.
Hard Times.
Helping Somewhere—Arlene Beachley.

Gifts of Love—Willing Workers.
Annunciation—Olive Weybright.
Money for Black Brothers.
Silent Night—Quartet.

Bridge-Bunco Party.
The Auxiliary of the American Legion is sponsoring a Bridge-Bunco party to which the public is most cordially invited. The merchants are donating prizes for the winners of the games. There will be tables for the children to play bunco and tables for adults for both bridge and bunco. The Auxiliary ladies will serve refreshments. The price of admission will be fifty cents, and tickets may be secured from any of the Auxiliary ladies or from Mrs. Sidell. The receipts of the party will be used in furthering the relief work of the organization. The party will be held in Kersten's hall.

MRS. LINDBERGH HOPS OF AT DETROIT TO SPEND CHRISTMAS WITH HER SON IN MEXICO

Just Before Mrs. Lindbergh Embarked

Ford Sees Her Off



This picture was taken just before Mrs. Evangeline Lodge Lindbergh, mother of Colonel Charles Lindbergh, stepped into the Stout all-metal airplane to begin her journey to Mexico City to join her son for Christmas. Left to right are Henry Ford and Mrs. Ford, Mrs. Lindbergh, Edsel Ford, Mr. and Mrs. William B. Stout, the mechanic Harry Russell, the pilot Harry Brooks and Louis Lejus, the Ford dealer in Mexico City.

the evening of Jan. 3, at 8 o'clock. The following merchants are donating prizes:—Vogt & Frohs, Earl Fish, Trottnow Grocery, Blocher, the Clothier, F. D. Kelley, G. S. Ives, Frank Miller Confectionery, Kime Shoe Hospital, Franklin Grove Bank, C. D. Hussey & Son, J. S. Tompkins, Phoenix Hotel, Wasson Bros., George E. Schultz, Bela R. Halderman, Citizens State Bank, Conlon & Howard, Hotchkiss Garage.

Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary
Mr. and Mrs. Miles Beck, well-known Rochelle couple celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary Tuesday. Mr. Beck was born at Warrior Mark, Pa. in 1847, being at this time 80 years of age, while Mrs. Beck was born at Franklin Grove in 1858 and has not yet reached her 70th year. There were six children, Roy Beck and Mrs. Jesse Harris of Altoona, Pa.; Mrs. Don Underwood of Sycamore; Miss Zulah Beck, Claire and Horace at home. The couple resided at Warriors Mark 31 years before coming to Rochelle. Mrs. Beck is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Buck, formerly of this place. The children were all present at the anniversary as was also Mrs. Beck's sisters, Mrs. Jacob Fisel of Freeport, Mrs. John Meyers of Lighthouse, and one brother Geo. Buck of Chicago. Among the other guests were Rev. and Mrs. O. D. Buck, Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Lahman, Mr. and Mrs. George Blocher, Mr. and Mrs. J. Riddelsberger, Mrs. Kate Dunn and Grace Pearl of this place; Mrs. Margaret Buck of Dixon; Gordon Meyers, John Meyers of Lighthouse, Jacob Fisel of Freeport. A large circle of friends called at the home and greeted the worthy couple.

Fred C. Gross went to St. Louis yesterday, where he is attending a convention of appraisers of the Federal Land Bank of that city. A Christmas dinner will be served at the Hotel Statler.

Mrs. M. A. Calvert of St. Joseph, Mo., is visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. R. Bratton.

Kenneth Gross, who is attending school at Beloit, Wis., is home to spend the holiday vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gross.

Miss Maude Conlon, who teaches school in Rochelle is spending the holiday vacation at the home of her mother, Mrs. Hannah Conlon.

Miss Helen Adams, who teaches school in Erie, is spending the holiday vacation at the home of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Stewart.

Mrs. Fred Krehl and son Willard were Chicago visitors Saturday.

Mrs. W. L. Moore went to Chicago Tuesday and remained until Sunday at the home of her sister, Mrs. Walter Tisdell.

Miss Josephine Durkes, who is attending school at Normal, is spending the holiday vacation at the home

of her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Durkes.

Miss Margaret Banker, who is attending school at Beloit, Wis., is spending the holiday vacation at the home of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. F. M. Banker.

Mrs. Hannah Conlon and daughter Miss Maude were visitors yesterday in Morrison at the home of the former's brother, Wm. Donegan.

Norman Tompkins, who is attending the Beloit College, is spending the holiday vacation with relatives at this place.

Church Notes.
St. Paul's Lutheran—No Sunday School or Bible Class Sunday. Preaching service in the English language at 1:30. The pastor will use the theme "The Savior is Born." Holy Communion will be celebrated in connection with this service. Those who desire to partake of the blessed Sacrament are requested to announce their intention to the pastor as soon as possible. Children's programs consisting of hymns, recitations, Sunday night at 7 o'clock. You are welcome to attend our services as well as the program rendered by the children. F. W. Henke, Pastor.

Presbyterian Church—Saturday evening special program and entertainment, 7:30. Christmas morning we hope to see a large audience to greet the worship of the Babe of Bethlehem. Sunday school, 9:30 preaching 10:30. Subject "No Room in the Inn." Special music. H. A. Dierdorff, Clerk of the Session.

Church of the Brethren—Sunday school 9:30. A Christmas program at 10:30. Service at 7:30. O. D. Buck.

Methodist Church—Christmas program by the Sunday school Saturday night, 7:30. The program is a good one. Sunday school 9:30. Evening worship will be held at 7 o'clock. There will be special music and a short message, "The Priceless Gift." A. J. Tavenner, Minister.

A. A. Shoemaker returned to his home in Fairchild, Wis. Saturday morning after an extended visit with relatives at this place.

Mrs. Willis Reigle went to Berwyn Saturday where she remained until Tuesday with her daughter Miss Bertha who teaches school at that place.

The community Christmas tree was placed on the street Friday morning. It sure is a beauty and attracts many words of praise. A short program will be enjoyed.

Obituary.
Wm. Taubenheim, aged resident

Pilot



Harry Brooks, with thousands of hours of flying to his credit was the veteran chosen as Mrs. Lindbergh's pilot on her flight from Detroit to Mexico City.

of this place, died early Friday morning. He was found dead by his daughter, Mrs. Anna Mehlihausen, who was keeping house for him. For a number of years his health has been failing and his advanced years added to his infirmities. His daughter faithfully administered to his needs as best she could. Deceased was watchman at the main railway crossing for many years before the tower was erected, and being such a great lover of flowers he was later placed in charge of the railway flower beds at several stations along the line. "Billy" as he was better known, was a good neighbor, a good friend and was every ready to be of assistance to everyone.

William Taubenheim was born in Hinder, Prussia, Germany, the 15th of March, 1847 and departed this life at his home in Franklin Grove, Dec.

15, 1927, aged 80 years, 9 months and 1 day.

He became associated with the Lutheran church through Holy Baptism and united with the same through the rite of confirmation, and remained true to its teachings all his life.

He was united in holy wedlock with Mrs. Lena Verkant, which union was blessed with six children, four of whom preceded him in death.

About forty years ago he with his wife and daughter, Mrs. Anna Mehlihausen, came to America in search of a home in the new land, settling near Franklin Grove, in which vicinity he has resided until the time of death. At some unknown date death robbed him of his beloved wife and his children were rendered motherless. Seeing the need of a mother for his children he married Miss Elisa Sechrist, which union was blessed with one son and one daughter. February 3, 1914 she too fell prey to the king of terror, death.

Deceased was blessed like a very few with a strong character, always enjoying unusual health. About a year ago, health failed quite noticeably. He leaves to mourn his death, Mrs. Anna Mehlihausen, Albert Taubenheim of this place, Clarence and Mrs. Eva Hodges of Los Angeles, Calif., eight grandchildren, one great-grandchild, numerous relatives and many friends.

Funeral services were conducted in the Lutheran church Sunday afternoon. Rev. Henke, the pastor, officiating. Interment was made in the Franklin cemetery.

Charles Lahman of Stillwater, Oklahoma, was a week end guest of relatives at this place.

Arthur Brucker and Herman Schafer were Rockford visitors Wednesday.

Miss Garnet Bill went to Wheaton



Mrs. Lindbergh is shown shaking hands with Henry Ford just before she started her flight to Mexico City to spend Christmas with her son. She is standing in the doorway of one of Ford's own planes.

Wednesday where she is employed in a private home.

Miss Eleanor Stedman of Elgin accompanied Miss Lorene Crum home from DeKalb Saturday and remained until Sunday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Crum.

Misses Drucie and Solona Lookingland spent a few days the past week with relatives in Rockford.

Mrs. L. R. Hunt and daughters Charlotte and Muriel, left Saturday afternoon for Pembina, N. D. where they will visit for some time at the home of her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schafer and family were Rockford visitors Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Mong spent Tuesday in Rochelle at the home of his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Schmucker.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Dierdorff moved Friday from the Mrs. George Mattern home to the Carpenter residence vacated by the L. R. Hunt family.

Misses Marion and Lucille Buck were guests from Friday until Sunday at the home of their uncle and

Thomas. The Pense family are former residents of this place and their friends which are many will wish them happiness in their new home.

The Aid Society of the Brethren church at their meeting Thursday elected the following officers—President—Mrs. Mary Wolf; Superintendent—Mrs. Linnie Buck; Assistant Superintendent—Mrs. Letha Blocher; Secretary and Treasurer—Mrs. Bernice Group.

Mr. Reiley, sister and friend of Morrison were guests last evening of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Hotchkiss. Mr. Reiley is private secretary to Elias McCormick and has been in Paris for some time. He will spend Christmas with his mother near Morrison.

Mr. and Mrs. George Fruit moved yesterday into their lovely new home near the Fruit garage.

Mrs. Elizabeth McKeen, a former resident of this place many years ago, died at her home in Tama, Ia., Friday morning, at the advanced age of 92 years 6 months and 6 days. Deceased was an aunt of Mrs. Mary Malden, Mrs. Ella Miller, Mrs. Martha Lincoln and Mrs. Anna Brewer.

Mark Burkett, known among residents of this place, died in Lamhan, Neb. The remains will be brought to Dixon where funeral services will be held with interment in the Burkett cemetery near Dixon. Mark was for many years a resident of this place and still has many friends here, who will regret to learn of his death.

Lennie Bratton sustained a painful and perhaps serious accident to one of his eyes a few days ago. One of his horses brushed his head or neck against Mr. Bratton's face and something was thus pushed into his eye. He was taken to the Dixon hospital for treatment.

Chas. Crum received word this morning of the death of his father. He expects to leave tomorrow morning for St. Louis.

To the readers of this column we extend best wishes for a "Merry Christmas."

Nat Barnert, Eastern Philanthropist, Dead

Patterson, N. J., Dec. 24—(AP)—Nathan Barnert, 89, philanthropist and former Mayor of Patterson, died at his home here Friday.

His death closed the career of another emigrant who surmounted repeated failures to win wealth and position in business and influence in the history of his community. He was known as the only Jew to have a monument erected in his memory while he was living.

The early Romans at first had only one name.

To Our Friends and Patrons

Love, Joy and Peace
Abide With You
This Yuletide

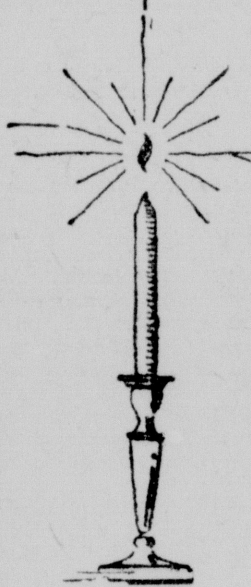
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Glad Christmas Greetings

WE know no better than to repeat the same old time-worn wishes: Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Though two thousand years have passed since the first Christmas morn, yet, the same peace and good will are ever present.

Let's make it a time not only for good cheer, but remember that, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

O. H. Martin & Co.

Greetings of Christmas Cheer

We are glad of this opportunity of thanking our friends for their favors and support; and to assure all others of our desire for a better acquaintance.

We will be glad to serve you at any time in the most cheerful way.

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Christmas Remembrances

May Gladness reign around You,
May comfort and content be Thine,
And family love surround You

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The Season's Best

On Christmas the skies may be gray or blue
But the day will be shining and bright for you;
It matters not what weather descends
If love shines out from the hearts of friends.

Please accept this as an expression of our regard for our friends.

Wilbur Lumber Co.

QUARREL OF 40 YEARS ENDS IN THEIR WEDDING

Unusual Story of Human Interest Comes from Texas Town

By NEA Service—

Waxahachie, Tex.—Take a lovers' quarrel in which the young man leaves home, vowing he'll never return—

Send him into Mexico, put him in front of a firing squad and have him escape death at the last minute—

Bring him back home years later, have him gain fame and fortune as an artist—

And then, after 40 years have passed, have him meet his old-time sweetheart and marry her—

And you have all of the ingredients for a pretty fine story.

A Wandering Artist

In this case the story happens to be true. It's the story of D. Frank Brown, artist and soldier of fortune, and Irene Rives, the sweetheart he found after 40 years of wandering.

Back in the '80s Brown and Miss Rives were sweethearts in the town of Florence, Texas. They planned to get married when they had finished high school, but the girl's parents objected, the two quarreled, and Brown left in a huff.

He wandered into Mexico and spent 15 years there, painting the beauties of Mexico's mountains and towns. He went on into Central America, the West Indies, South America and then returned to Mexico.

During the turmoil that followed the fall of Porfirio Diaz, Brown nearly lost his life. Twice he was seized by the Zapata band and condemned to be shot. On each occasion he escaped, the last time with a reward of 3000 pesos on his head.

He had accumulated a fair-sized fortune during his wanderings, but the bulk of it was lost in the hurry-burly of Mexico's revolutions. Brown at length concluded that Mexico was too treacherous a country, so he returned to the United States and became a teacher of art at an eastern university.

During all of this time Brown and his former sweetheart had not heard of one another. Each had married once, but Brown's wife had died during his Mexican adventures, while Miss Rives' husband died in 1919. And the two former lovers often thought of one another.

So, last summer, Brown acted on impulse and wrote to the town of Florence to see if Irene were still alive.

Very quickly he got an answer. More letters were exchanged—and then Brown packed up and came to Texas.

Waiting for Him

Irene Rives met him at the dock at Galveston. The two had not seen one another for 40 years. A matronly woman and a grey-haired man, well on in middle age, had taken the place of the two youths who had been sweethearts so long ago.

But true love, as the story books say, can laugh at the passing of years. And Irene Rives and Frank Brown were married shortly after their reunion.

The two came to Waxahachie. Townspeople who had heard of their romance met them at the station and gave them an old-time charivari. Brown, beaming with happiness, presented the city with a number of valuable paintings and announced he would make his home here.

Any day, after the work is done, Brown and his wife may be seen strolling down the city's streets, hand in hand. Their youth was spent years ago. But they don't seem to care.

CONVERTED NECKLACES

WORN AS BRACELETS
Paris (AP)—A Parisian actress tired of wearing her million franc pearl necklace around her neck wrapped it around her wrist and wore it as a bracelet one night at the Ritz.

That is credited by a Parisian pearl specialist with being the beginning of the present vogue for necklace-bracelets. Nowadays everyone is copying her, and Rue de la Paix jewelers receive dozens of orders a week to transform pearl necklaces permanently to bracelets. Cartier shows rows of graduated pearls made up in bracelet style.

The Christmas Spirit



Americans have the reputation, among other nations, of working harder and more seriously than any other on earth.

Indeed, it often is said that we do not play enough for our own good. We attend to business too closely, take our jobs too seriously, say Europeans.

This may be so. Probably it is. But we do wish some of these foreign commentators could see us on Christmas.

Would you, perchance, find the president of the town's biggest bank today? You might look up in junior's room, where the revered president doubtless will be found sprawling on a fours amusing himself hugely with junior's new electric train.

Would you speak with the stern judge, who is so portentous and awesome on ordinary days? He, peradventure, is helping one of his grandchildren assemble a model airplane—and, by the same token, getting twice as much kick out of the proceeding as the grandson.

Are you looking for the reverend pastor, whose snowy locks ordinarily shade such a dignified face? He has tacked a sprig of mistletoe in the parlor, and will kiss the first girl or woman who comes within two yards.

And the multi-millionaire manufacturer, who is so bustling and crisp by ordinary? He is in his dressing gown and slippers; for last night he stayed up past midnight, leading a group of children on a hunt for Santa Claus.

In other words, these men and all the

rest of us have, today, declared a moratorium on workaday seriousness and dignity. We have ceased to pretend that we are important grown-ups, filling positions of responsibility and trust, and have lapsed back into the state we enjoy most—that of carefree, boyish irresponsibility.

And perhaps that is a pretty good thing for us, once in a while.

In fact, if we had our way, there would be more Christmas—one each month, at least.

For the remarks quoted at the beginning of this article—that we take ourselves and our work too seriously—are fairly close to the truth.

While we are working, let's continue to work with all our souls.

But let's learn, if we can, to carry some of this Christmas spirit over into our leisure hours at other seasons. When the day's work is over, it would be good for us if we could shelve our seriousness and our intentness, and relax into something approaching the mood of Christmas morning. It would be fine for all of us if we could wear the purposive earnestness of working hours like a garment, to be dropped when working hours are over. We need to get down on our knees and play with trains oftener, to romp with children—even, irresponsibly and gaily, to kiss charming female callers, perhaps.

For these things lead to laughter and a cheery disposition and make life seem less grim and forbidding. And that is what we need.

Long live the Christmas spirit!

DINNERS AND REUNIONS TO MARK YULETIDE

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TO SPEND HOLIDAYS IN GENEVA, NEB.

Mrs. Helen Schickley, who has been assisting during the holiday rush at the T. J. Jewelry store, left last evening for Geneva, Neb., where she will spend the holidays with her mother.

TO BE CHRISTMAS GUESTS AT ASHTON HOME—

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Coe and daughter Carolyn, of Springfield, arrived last evening to spend the holidays at the home of Mrs. Coe's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Arnold, in Ashton. Today Mr. and Mrs. Coe and daughter Carolyn and Mr. and Mrs. Arnold will be entertained at the Joe Gilbert home in Franklin Grove. Mr. and Mrs. Coe will also spend a part of the holiday week at the home of Mr. Coe's parents, in Dixon.

CHRISTMAS DINNER AT DR. THOMPSON HOME—

Dr. and Mrs. Willard Thompson will entertain a large company of relatives and friends at dinner Christmas day including Mr. and Mrs. W. Adams and family and Mrs. Crofoot of Oak Park; Mr. and Mrs. G. Johnson and family of Aurora; Mr. and Mrs. Avery and family of St. Louis; Mr. and Mrs. Baus of Cleveland, O.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS AT ROE AND DURKES HOMES—

Mr. and Mrs. John Roe, and little son, John, Jr., and Miss Leonia Durkes are arriving from Boston, Mass., and will spend the Christmas holidays at the W. C. Durkes and H. A. Roe homes in this city.

MR. AND MRS. EDWIN BERG TO SPEND CHRISTMAS HERE—

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Berg have arrived from Rogers Park and will spend Christmas at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Roe.

WILL BE GUESTS AT MOERSBAEGER HOME—

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Moersbaeger will entertain at dinner Christmas day Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stratton.

ARE SPENDING THE HOLIDAYS IN WEST VIRGINIA—

Mr. and Mrs. Roy K. Morris and little son, are spending the holidays in West Virginia with relatives and friends.

TO SPEND PORTION OF HOLIDAYS IN EUREKA, ILL.—

Miss Ethel Madison will go to Eureka, Ill., Monday morning where she will spend the holidays with her sister, Mrs. Gilbert Renner.

MRS. McALPINE TO BE GUEST AT ROBERT SHAW HOME—

Mrs. McAlpine, sister of Harry Werle, of Chicago, will be one of the guests at the Christmas dinner party to be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shaw in Dixon, which is mentioned in another column of the Telegraph this evening.

STEEL MAKER IS ILL

Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 23.—(AP)—The condition of B. F. Jones, Jr., chairman of the board of the Jones & Laughlin Steel Corporation, seriously ill at his home here, was reported practically unchanged today with indications of a slight improvement. Mr. Jones suffered a heart attack early this week.

Every man and woman in Lee county should have one of our \$1 accident insurance policies. The value of which is \$1,000. Every reader of the Telegraph is entitled to a policy.

Former Movie Favorite Now Mistress Lovely Home in Louisiana

Patterson, La. (AP)—Far from the bright lights in a great house at the end of Main Street in this little Acadian town, one of America's most popular actresses of a decade ago is "just living along," taking care of her husband and growing old gracefully.

She is Marguerite Clark, now the wife of Harry P. Williams, wealthy Louisiana lumber man, and the "happiest woman in the world." She retired from motion pictures and the stage when she married ten years ago.

"I enjoyed my work very much and have many pleasant memories," she says. "But I do not miss it, as I am supremely happy with my husband. My returning to the screen is possible but not probable."

Still possessed of the beauty and charm which brought her fame, "Miss Marguerite," as she is known by almost everyone here, does not find herself worried over thoughts of mounting years.

"What do I think of women who are starving themselves on foolish diets trying to keep the figure of 18 when they are forty?" she repeats. "Do they fool anyone? If they fool anyone, it's themselves. And often I doubt that even."

"Don't think for a minute, however, I believe women should let down and become fat and dowdy as the years advance. If a woman of 40 can look like she is 30 by taking proper care of herself and

taking pains with her appearance, of course, she ought to. But it is simply foolish for a woman of 30 or 40 to try to keep the figure of 16 or 18.

"Why can't they be sensible and grow old gracefully along with their husbands? Middle age and old age each has a beauty all its own. I think it would be horrible to be eternally young with all your friends and those you love growing old around you."

"How do I keep slim? I don't know. I'm just living along. That's all I am doing."

"Living along" with "Miss Marguerite" means a beautiful garden in which she spends many hours, 1,500 prize-winning chickens, 14 fine hunting dogs, blooded cows and a great mansion that is the show place of St. Mary's parish.

Prominent in New Orleans society, she goes there frequently and only a few days ago was sponsor for Tulane at a football game. When she is in New York, theatres claim most of her time. There it was she played Prunella, Peter Pan and Baby Mine, her favorite stage productions.

"I think the present day pictures are splendid," she says. "Especially are they improved as to photography, the carrying out of detail and in stories for the stars. As for my own pictures, I look back on Seven Swans, Snow White and the Bab stories by Mary Roberts Rinehart as those I liked best."

Mr. and Mrs. Williams have kept 12 children in college. Mrs. Williams, has six girls at a Louisiana school, while her husband has six boys at the University of the South,

Sewanee, Tenn. They selected the children personally for aptness and willingness to study.

CLIMBING WAISTLINE

ALARMS DOWAGERS

Paris.—(AP)—Women whose waistlines are no longer of Venus de Milo proportions view with growing concern the upward and inward trend of diets and girdles which every day become more obvious in Paris.

Normal waistlines are the general rule now for costumes with flaring silhouettes. Even straight silhouettes are sometimes broken by a pulled-in belt placed well above the hips. Despite the prevalence of the higher-waisted dresses it is usually the slender women who wears them. The others are waiting for style trends to force them to it.

LINDBERGH COCKTAILS

Mexico City, December 23.—(AP)—Although a teetotaler, Col. Lindbergh has had several cantinas, or bar rooms, named after him. Many Mexicans of the working classes, who never before tasted cocktails, are consuming "Lindbergh Cocktails," weirdly compounded in little grog-shops, where usually only native drinks are sold.

The leading cafes began to dispense cocktails named after Lindbergh as soon as he arrived here, and the little native drinking joints, with no idea of what a cocktail should be, followed suit, their patrons heroically drinking whatever is set before them in the name of "Lindy."

—Everyone plays Bridge. Come to us for Bridge Scores. B. F. Shaw Printing Co.

As time passes, customs change, but Good Will endures forever. What time could be more fitting for its expression than the Holiday Season.

So as a year of fulfillment merges into a year of hope, we send you our warmest good wishes. May the true spirit of Christmas abide with you always.

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Furniture and Rugs

CHERISHED RECOLLECTIONS

By this means we want to thank our patrons for their business co-operation and to convey to you our kindest regards of the holidays. When the hours of festivity have passed, may you store their memory to be recalled among your most cherished of recollections in future days.

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The Season's Chiefest Joys!

We pause in the mad rush of the modern business world just to remind our friends, old and new, of our kindly feeling toward them, not only now but at all times.

May the season's chiefest joys be thine and may the new year be the beginning of better and nobler things in your lives.

DIXON NATIONAL BANK

Love and Peace This Christmaside

Love divine watch over
And give you peace
And through the years
May happiness increase.

STAPLES & MOYER

BEWARE OF MARRIED MEN BY ARLINE DEHAAS



Copyright 1927, Warner Bros. Picture Inc.
"BEWARE OF MARRIED MEN," starring Irene Rich, is a Warner Bros. picture of this novel.

SYNOPSIS
Myra Martin, secretary to Leonard Gilbert, a divorce lawyer, to whom she is engaged, discovers that her younger sister, Helene, has become infatuated with Huntley Sheldon, a wealthy Don Juan whose wife, Nina, is making a fourth attempt to divorce him. Myra looks Helene in her room, disguises herself, and goes to Sheldon's hunting lodge to ask him to give up her sister. Sheldon, recognizing Myra, pretends a heart attack, forcing her to remain with him all night. Next morning Mrs. Sheldon arrives, but Myra escapes without being identified. Helene, who has been waiting for Leonard, is afraid to tell him of her adventure, so she writes him out.

CHAPTER X—Continued

For a moment Myra's heart stood still. Suppose Leonard ever found out about her escapade. She steadied herself against the side of the desk. "Who—who do you think it is?" "Actually, I don't know. But she was irresistibly drawn towards the danger that seemed to threaten."

"O, I don't know for certain. I've never heard Evans' story in detail, at all. But certainly the woman who made off with him must have known that she was taking him away from another woman and breaking up what I suppose was a fairly happy sort of home. That's what I don't get. There are plenty of men in the world without going after one who's already taken."

"Perhaps, Leonard," Myra argued, "you're looking at these matters

question timidly, but she felt that she had to find out—must find out—quickly.

"Blah!" Gilbert scoffed. "That's a lot of nonsense. No woman with any intelligence whatsoever could be made a fool of that way. Besides, there are enough correspondents who, for a consideration, are willing to be known as 'Miss X' in the proceedings."

Myra's heart sank. Of course Leonard couldn't possibly understand. How wise she had been to decide not to mention anything to him. He wouldn't have believed her story, feeling as he did about these matters. He'd as much as said so then. But this was terrible, this weight that overpowered her, yet she must go on, talking, thinking, acting, shielding herself, making no false steps.

"But—suppose I should get mixed up in something of that sort—would you blame me for taking the man in question away from his wife?"

Gilbert laughed. "That's really the funniest thing I've ever heard of. You didn't want to discuss the matter, but she was irresistibly drawn towards the danger that seemed to threaten."

"O, I don't know for certain. I've never heard Evans' story in detail, at all. But certainly the woman who made off with him must have known that she was taking him away from another woman and breaking up what I suppose was a fairly happy sort of home. That's what I don't get. There are plenty of men in the world without going after one who's already taken."

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from the wrong point of view. Suppose the 'other woman,' as you call her, happens to be in love with the man."

"Isn't his wife in love with him, too? Surely that counts for something. Suppose that after we are married, another woman comes along."

"Leonard! Please! Don't suggest such a thing. I couldn't stand it."

"Well, there you are. Other women feel that same way about it." "I know. I didn't mean just exactly that. I was just thinking that often it wasn't the 'other woman' who started the affair. It might have been the man, you know. Perhaps you see only one side of the case. As a matter of fact you know as well as I do that a lot of the men who come in here to see about divorces are only too willing to flirt with me—flirt me to dinner—start another affair all over again, before the last is even cold."

"Certainly, but you don't go out with them—at least I've never known you to. You see, it takes two to make a bargain. It's not so hard to discourage a man—if you really want to."

"That's perfectly true, but what about—people like Huntley Sheldon, who is constantly running after any other woman than his wife? The name had slipped out unconsciously. Myra would have given anything to have taken back her words, but she couldn't now, and the best thing to do was to continue. "He'd be a very hard person to discourage, I imagine, if he'd ever set his mind on any one. Of course, I suppose in his case he has a great many women interested in him. So he's not a very good example. But other men who have not his attractions—certainly they must do a large share of the running."

"Yes, but you're getting away from the point of the argument," Leonard insisted. "As I said before, it takes two to make a bargain, and the 'other woman' is the other half of the bargain. If she weren't, I'd have fewer divorce cases, and I'd probably be a struggling young lawyer arguing corporation law." He laughed.

"Yes, but suppose the 'other woman' got mixed up quite by mistake—you know—didn't realize what was happening or know what she was doing?" Myra put the

the automobile was spotted and the robbers arrested. They were Edward Byrne, who said he had turned hold-up man to buy a sweetheart a Christmas gift, and George Appel, former Chicago gunman.

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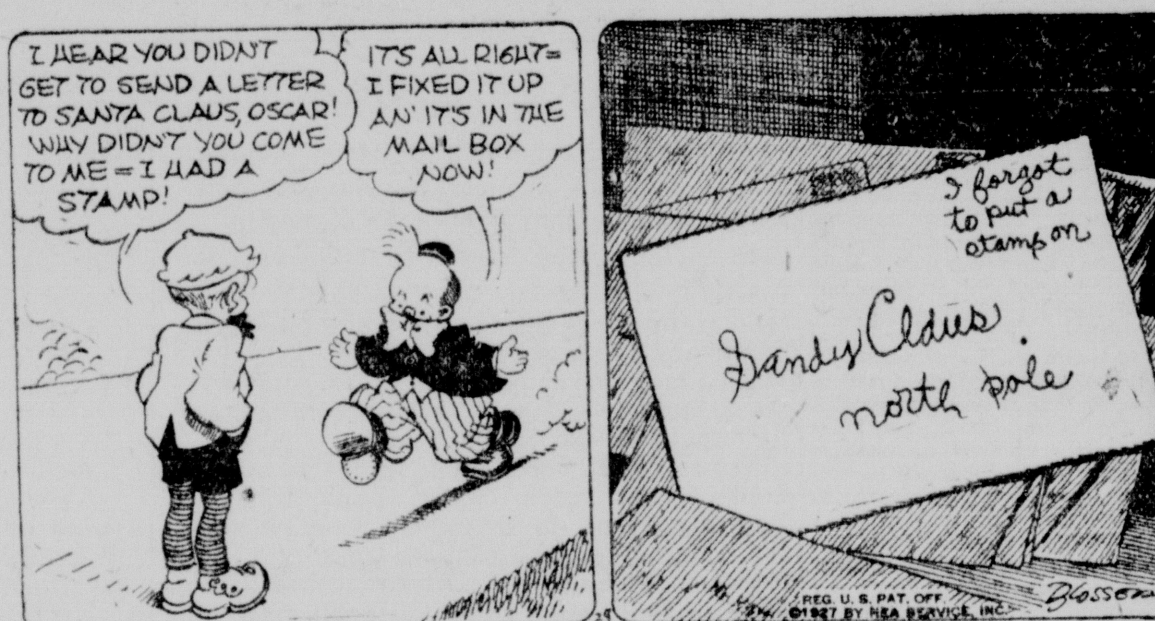
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BIRTHS KLINE—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kline, Dec. 13th, a son, Donald Wellsman. 29913f

Mitchell Field Was Threatened by Fire Mitchell Field, N. Y., Dec. 24—(AP)—Fire destroyed one warehouse and the central heating plant and threatened to burn the entire cantonment here Friday. Dense smoke from burning oil in the boiler house increased the difficulty of fighting the blaze. Civilian fire departments from Hempstead, Westbury and Mineola were called out. 29913f

MUCH NICER POET (tentatively): How would you like a husband who writes blank verse? SHE (with candor): I'd much rather have one who writes blank checks. —Passing Show.

NOT FAR ENOUGH REPORTER: I suppose that as the plane fell all your sins flashed before your eyes? MOVIE ACTRESS: Oh, dear, no! Why, we only fell two miles.—Life.

THE ANSWER Here is one solution to the LET-TER GOLF puzzle on page 7:

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LOST—Traveling bag on Route 26 with name of Smyth on it. Reward. Finder return to Grow Auto Parts. 30113f

RADIO SERVICE RADIO TROUBLE IS BATTERY trouble. Headquarters for Radio Power Units. Service on all make batteries and radios. Dixon Battery Shop. 2731f

PROSECUTORS OF STATE TO MEET DECEMBER 27TH

Discussion of Liquor Laws Will Feature Annual Meeting

Chicago, Dec. 24—(AP)—State's Attorneys of Peoria, Williamson, Will, Kane and Lake counties will say what they think of the "Illinois Prohibition Act" at the annual convention of the Illinois State's Attorneys Association here Wednesday afternoon, December 28.

Opening Tuesday morning, Dec. 27, with the President's annual address by State's Attorney C. W. Reed of DuPage county, the convention will hear Secretary Cassius Post of DeKalb county review last year's meeting, and then hear the report of the legislative committee by Chairman R. W. Besse of Whiteside county.

That afternoon opinions of the Supreme court will be discussed by six state's attorneys. Opinions of December term, 1926 by John H. Searing of Jackson county; February term, 1927 by Robert W. Besse of Whiteside county; April term by Roy R. Cline of Champagne county; June term, by M. V. Peterman of Ogle county; and "Leading Cases" by Charles P. Evans of Macon county.

Attorney General Oscar E. Carlstrom will follow this discussion with an address on "Co-operation," and directly afterward Charles W. Hadley of Wheaton, former president of the State's Attorneys Association and candidate to succeed Mr. Carlstrom as Attorney General, will speak on "Problems of the State's Attorney." At the annual banquet that night Chief Justice William V. Brothers of Cook county criminal court; U. S. Senator Charles S. Deneen, and Federal Judge James H. Wilkerson will be the speakers.

Wednesday morning, State's Attorney Crowe of Cook county will speak on "Co-operation between counties"; J. LeRoy Adair of Adams on "State's Attorneys as County Attorneys"; Wirt Herrick of DeWitt county on "Instructions of Juries"; and Robert Scholes of Peoria, speaker of the House in the 55th General Assembly will speak on "Legislation of Interest to State's Attorneys."

States Attorneys who will contribute to the symposium on the "Illinois Prohibition Act," are Arlie Boswell of Williamson; H. E. Pratt of Peoria; Hjalmar Rehn of Will; Charles L. Abbott of Kane; and Ashbel V. Smith of Lake.

Concluding the program Chief Justice Oscar E. Reed of the Supreme Court will speak.

NEWS of the CHURCHES

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH 313 Van Buren ave.

Rev. Morton W. Hale—pastor. At 7:30 Sunday morning the Christian Endeavors will hold a sunrise service. Topic, "What Does Christmas mean to the world?" Donald Johnson of Plattsburg, Mo. will lead this meeting.

9:45 a. m. Sunday School—L. E. Etnyre, Supt. The Christmas Lesson Theme: Being a Joy Bearer.

1:00 a. m. Morning Worship. A number of pieces of special music have been prepared for this service.

The First Noel—choir. Duet—"The angels adore Him," Misses Winona Garland and Marion Ackert.

Trio—"We Praise Thee for Bethlehem's Story"—Misses Winona Garland, Marion Ackert and Stewart Seneff.

Choir. "Oh Little Babe of Bethlehem"—Choir. The pastor will preach a sermon appropriate for the Christmas season.

7:30 p. m. The Christmas program of the Sunday School will be given at this time consisting of music, recitations, and a Christmas play. The annual treat will be given the S. S. children.

Brief Summary of Last Night's News

(BY THE AP) Chairman Smoot of Senate finance committee demands \$290,000,000 tax reduction measure passed by House be pared to well under \$250,000,000.

White House says President Coolidge believes Army and Navy are in better condition than at any other time during peace.

Vare files formal denial of charges of irregularity in his election with Senate privileges and elections committee.

Southeastern Florida continues in grip of freezing and near freezing temperatures which in last four days have done great damage to fruit crops.

IN ILLINOIS Athletic Director A. A. Staag sets first week of April as date for annual University of Chicago National Interscholastic Basketball Tournament. Mrs. Minnie Goranson acquitted by jury at Chicago of charge of murdering husband, Knute V., a police Sergeant.

Chambersburg high school wins the annual invitation basketball tournament at Quincy by defeating Canton, Mo., 37 to 20. Mt. Sterling wins third place with victory over Versailles.

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THE STORY THUS FAR

The story is told in the Indian territory and along the Kansas border in the '80s, when a fight was being waged for the opening of the territory to settlement.

Chief characters are: TONY HARRISON, orphaned at 13 when his father was shot in a poker game.

PAWNEE BILL, adventurer, teacher, Indian interpreter, showman.

JOE CRAIG, who takes Tony to the Bar K ranch to live.

TITUS MOORE, owner of the Bar K brand.

RITA, his little tomboy daughter.

Some years later, when Rita and her mother depart for the east and a finishing school, the boy learns for the first time how much he cares for Titus Moore's red-haired, arrogant daughter.

Moore is one of the chief opponents of the movement to open Oklahoma. Word is received that DAVID PAYNE, leader of the movement, is dead, and Tony, in his loyalty to Moore, is troubled because of his sympathy for Payne's cause.

He tries to forget Rita Moore and accompanies Pawnee Bill and BUFFALO BILL on a wild west show tour.

CHAPTER XXX

THE show closed in Denver the following spring and Tony Harrison went back to the Bar K.

Some time later Pawnee Bill and his Indians went east again to join Healy and Bigelow and Tony heard from him from time to time, his letters coming first from Brooklyn and, later, Philadelphia.

In September Tony got a letter containing real news. Pawnee Bill was married.

"August 31, 1886," he wrote "marks the turning point in my life. Despite the fact that I was almost broke, May Manning and I were married on that day and now I've got sense enough to know that money wasn't meant to be wasted. Hereafter I'm going to make it my business to pile it up and to make a good name for myself at the same time."

"We're staying for the present on my father's farm near Wellington Drop in and see us some time."

May Little was utterly bewildered at the life around her. Tony found when he visited them. She was small and vivacious and plainly very much in love with her husband.

"I'm going to keep him at home here," she declared, clutching Pawnee Bill's arm. "I'm not going to let him go gallivanting around the country with a bunch of wild Indians."

"What are your plans?" Tony asked Pawnee Bill when they were alone.

The other gestured hopelessly with his hands. "I don't know. Soon as things get settled down some I'll go back to the show business. I reckon. She's home-sick—things are lonesome for her out in this country. I think she's afraid I'll lose my scalp."

He added that he was lending his moral support to the Boomers. "You heard what happened last fall?" Tony Harrison shook his head.

"Well, a big bunch of them went in last November, led by Couch, I believe. They were run out by the Fifth Cavalry, under Lieutenant Colonel Sumner. They're stayed out since then and some of them are plumb discouraged. I've been doing a little missionary work here and there, and if I can do any good I'll jump in and help them. I guess Craig wouldn't like that if he knew it."

The autumn passed and Tony once more arose one morning to find ice on the creek. A few mornings later he and Craig, riding over

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Tony, a cold, deadly calm settling over him, pulled out his revolver and leveled it. At the third shot he saw one of the horsemen throw up his hands and slip sideways out of his saddle, to be dragged by his stirrup-entangled foot for a hundred feet and then lie still in the roadway. Coolly he emptied the weapon and then ran to Joe Craig.

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Ormond Beach Colonists Marvel at His Activity

Ormond Beach, Fla.—(AP)—Again the colony here is agog over the amazing perennial activity of John D. Rockefeller, sr.

Year after year, as long as many of the inhabitants of the resort remember, the oil magnate, now 88, has been opening up The Casements, his winter home, donning golf togs and striding about the links or motoring along the quiet beach.

Arriving several weeks earlier than usual this season, Rockefeller quietly slipped into the systematic program which governs his sojourn here. He declares he is "feeling fine, better than ever" and was so enthusiastic over improvements made on his estate during the summer months that he took a flashlight and inspected the gardens before retiring on the night of his arrival.

Whacking the golf ball down the course is his principal diversion, but he also has a vivid interest in motor-ing, books, conversation with a few friends, religion, philosophy and modern inventions, especially the radio.

He likes to go to church and to join in the singing and frequently attends musicals. On these occasions Rockefeller always stops to chat with his friends among the natives and tourists. Those who visit him in his

home find lively entertainment in the anecdotes he tells.

The multi-millionaire is protected against the numerous curiosity seekers who flock to his estate and he dislikes publicity, but if he likes a photographer he poses for pictures on the links, where he occasionally joins in novel contests.

"What doesn't he do that a man of his years might well be expected to lay aside?" one of his old friends here asked in talking of Rockefeller. "What man of 88 can shoot eight holes of golf in 45? He did that last year, and don't be surprised if he does even better on the links this season."

"Of course, Mr. Rockefeller has to rest quite a bit. He can't afford to run down his batteries at this age, but he has remarkable recuperative power. He likes to ride in his auto-

mobile and wants to drive fast.

"In fact, Mr. Rockefeller is just like the rest of us. It's his age and the glare of publicity turned upon his every act which makes him seem different."

About the only popular outdoor diversion in which Rockefeller does not participate to some degree is boating. The blue and placid Halifax river runs by his front door, and one can cast a stone into the ocean from the rear entrance gateway. "But Rockefeller never gets closer to them than the curtained privacy of his car as he goes whizzing down the beach on his afternoon ride."

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STATE'S HUMANE HANGMAN WILL BE OUT OF JOB SOON

Substitution of Electric Chair Will End His Activities

By NEA Service
Epworth, Ill.—Known as the "humane nooseman," Phil Hanna of this city, who has participated in the hanging proceedings in which the lives of 56 men were snuffed out during the past quarter of a century

in Missouri and Illinois, is about to "go out of business."

Due to the intended installation of the electric chair in Illinois to replace the scaffold, Hanna's activities as the "humane nooseman" are nearing an end.

Hanna is not the popular conception of a hangman, one who slays his fellowmen for money. He neither springs the trap nor accepts money for his part in adjusting the ropes; he has done his work to prevent suffering through mistakes of inexperienced sheriffs.

His First Hanging.
Twenty-five years ago Hanna witnessed his first hanging. A nervous and inexperienced sheriff was in charge. The prisoner was placed on the scaffold and as the noose was being adjusted the trap was sprung. The drop did not break the neck of

the victim—he strangled for 23 minutes.

Hanna, sick at heart, decided after that hanging to devote the remainder of his life to eliminating sufferings at executions.

At the first hanging in which he officiated the "affair" went through without a hitch. The state offered Hanna a fee but he refused it.

After the first hanging the fame of Hanna as a "humane nooseman" spread and his services were in demand by sheriffs anxious to be relieved of the worry and fear that "something would go wrong."

Comforts Condemned.
Hanna became somewhat of a spiritual comforter to the condemned men. He spent long hours in their cells on the days before the executions.

In his home Hanna has a museum

consisting of relics from the various hangings in which he has participated.

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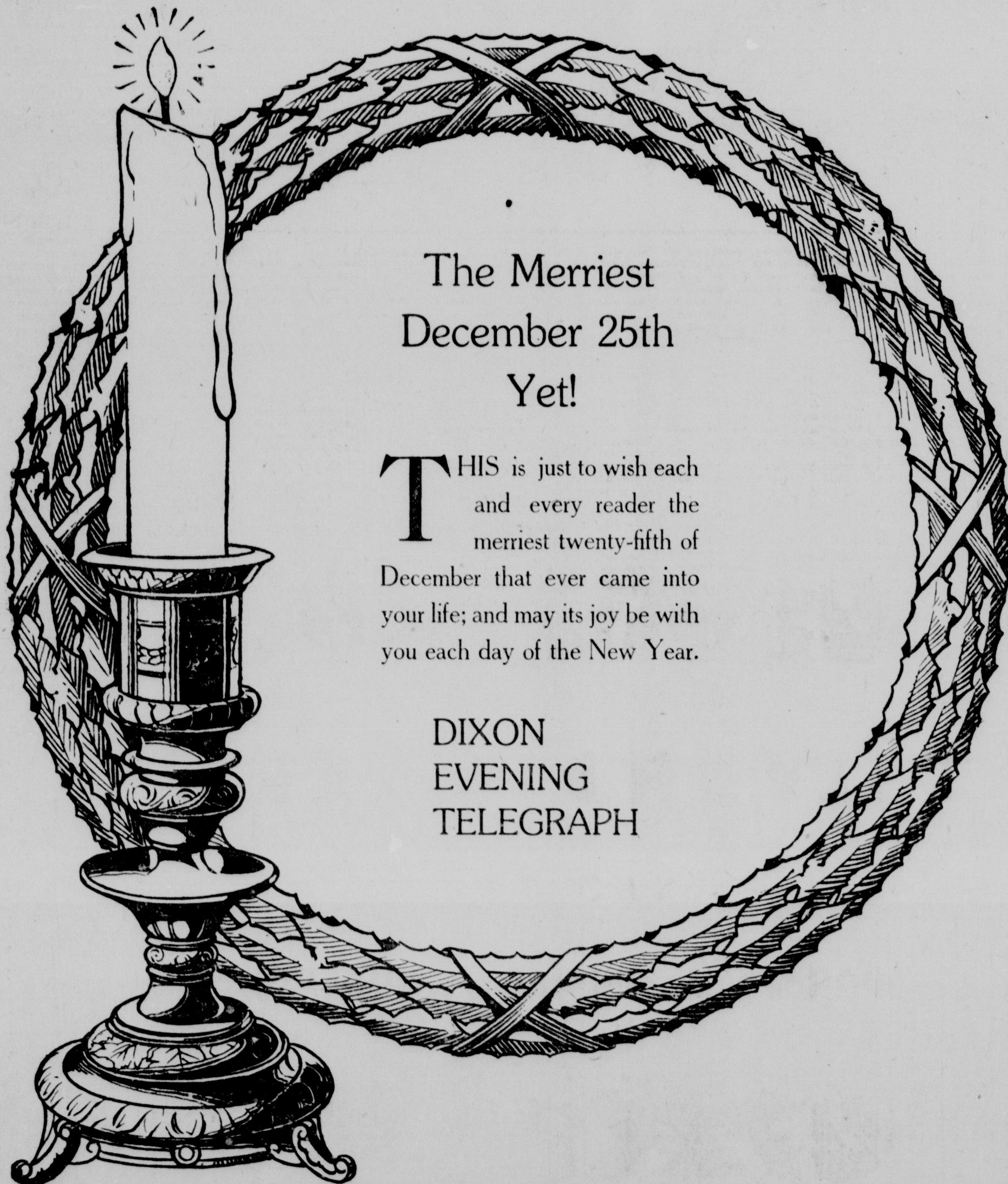
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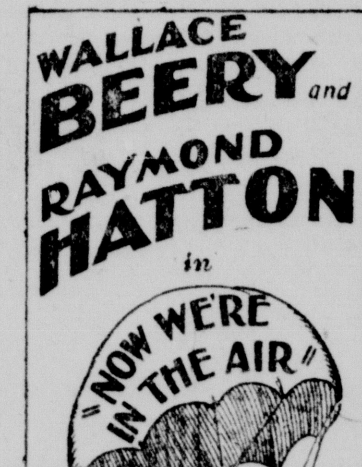
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